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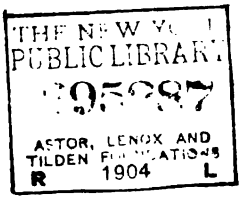

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PREFACE.

Calendar.

In this volume the Calendar of the hitherto unpublished Assembly rolls of the City of Dublin is continued from April, 1716, to November, 1730, inclusive.

Jacobites.

Early in 1716 a Jacobite movement in Ireland was apprehended by the government of George I. at Dublin. By direction of the Lords Justices the Lord Mayor carried out through the aldermen of the various wards an inspection of all houses in the city and liberties, and furnished the Government with particulars of their permanent and temporary occupants.[1]

Inspection of houses.

Penal legislation.

While Governmental encouragements were given in Dublin to Huguenot, Danish, German and other Protestant settlers, the penal legislation against Roman Catholics in Ireland was sedulously maintained. Priests convicted of having celebrated Mass were sentenced to transportation, and the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Dublin narrowly escaped through a defect in the evidence when he was tried on a similar charge. The

[1] *See* page 576.

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Lord Mayor. Lord Mayor of Dublin, among other duties, was bound to put into execution the law which prohibited any Roman Catholic from keeping in his Horses. possession a horse worth five pounds or more.

Public works. Among the works undertaken by the Municipal Council, in the period now under notice were improvements in public lighting, water supply and sanitation, operations in connection with quays and harbour, building on reclaimed strands, erection of a bridewell, marshalsea and corn-market house. They also adopted a methodized system for leases, civic accounts and audit.

Public lighting. The public lamps were supplied with oil made from Irish rapeseed. It was found desirable to have the lamps lighting to an hour beoynd that at first fixed for their extinguishment—as between it and dawn various offences had been committed. An undiscovered crime perpetrated in Dublin at this time was the shooting, in his sedan chair at Colonel Luttrell. night, of Colonel Henry Luttrell, who, it was suspected, had betrayed the Jacobite cause at the battle of Aughrim. The assassination of Luttrell, the owner of considerable wealth, was by some ascribed to causes connected with personal affairs.

Pavements. For the amendment of the city pavements, and more effectual cleansing of the streets, an act of parliament was passed in 1717. Two years

subsequently an improvement in the water supply was effected by another statute, which recognized and confirmed the right of the citizens of Dublin to a supply from the river Dodder through their ancient watercourse. Water supply.

A reservoir or "Bason," capable of containing five hundred thousand hogsheads of water, was excavated at the west end of Dublin in 1722. City Bason.

The grounds surrounding the "Bason" were made attractive by handsome green walks with trees, shrubs and flowers. The place soon became a fashionable resort for the Dublin people, and musical performances were frequently held there.

After the attainder of the Jacobite Duke of Ormonde and the proclamation of ten thousand pounds for his capture, the Dublin Municipal Council, which had previously professed perpetual devotion to him, ordered the removal of the escutcheon of his armorial bearings from the Tholsel or city hall, where they had long occupied a conspicuous position. Duke of Ormonde.

George I., early in his reign, propitiated the Dublin citizens by an annual grant of three hundred pounds out of the revenues of Ireland in aid of the municipal expenditure. He also presented a portrait of himself to the city, which was placed in a portion of the Tholsel named the "Guildhall." By the Municipal Council the King George I. Annual grant to Dublin. Portrait.

was styled "their second deliverer." They celebrated the anniversary of his birth with unusual expenditure, and decided on erecting a public statue in Dublin to him.

Royal portrait defaced.

The royal portrait, which his majesty had presented to the city, was cut in pieces during the night of Sunday, the 29th of June, 1719, by some unknown persons who forcibly effected an entrance into the Tholsel.

Rewards.

A Governmental reward[1] of one thousand pounds for discovery of the offenders was supplemented by five hundred pounds from the municipal council.[2] The picture was repaired by Michael Mitchell, a Dublin portrait painter—but no claimant appeared for the reward.

Statue of George I.

The arrangements in relation to the statue of King George were delegated by the municipal council to a committee, who entered into communication on the subject with Robert Finlay, a banker in London of Dublin connections.

Sir Godfrey Kneller.

Sir Godfrey Kneller, consulted by Finlay, recommended a pedestrian statue, but the council decided that the king should be represented on horseback—"as so much more honorable."

John Nost.

An estimate was accepted by the council which had been obtained from John Nost, a foreign artist, in London. For fifteen hundred pounds

1, 2, *See* pp. 64, 579.

Nost offered to produce in metal an equestrian statue of George I., similar in size to the statue of Charles I. at Charing Cross.

The statue of George I., when completed, was inspected in London, approved of and shipped to Dublin. It was erected on a pier, constructed at considerable expense, at the west side of Essex bridge. On the first of August, 1722, the statue was for the first time exposed to public view; the riding of the franchises was performed on the same day, while two hogsheads of wine were set running for the people at the expense of the city. An engraving of the statue is among the illustrations to the present volume.[1]

Erection of statue on Bridge.

Bartholomew Wybrants, a Dublin civic official of Dutch extraction, frequently named in these records, was connected with events of a tragical character.

Wybrants.

His daughter, young, beautiful and accomplished, was, for some trivial cause, murdered in bed at night in Dublin, with a sword, by her husband, Francis Eustace, then in his twenty-fifth year.

Murder.

Eustace.

Eustace fled without hat or coat, and Government offered a reward of one hundred pounds for his apprehension. The attempt of a legal official to arrest Eustace resulted in the deaths of both.

Deaths.

[1] Illustration VIII.—This statue is referred to in the second of the "Drapier's Letters."

The circumstances connected with Eustace and his acts formed the subject of a communication by Sir Richard Steele in the "Tatler."

Steele.

Distress in Dublin.

About this time severe distress prevailed in Dublin among the artisans employed in the silk, linen and woollen trades; many appeals were made for governmental aid and for charitable contributions to relieve them.

The disastrous pecuniary results of the speculations of needy builders in Swift's day in Dublin evoked his censure. "They have," he wrote, "found out all the commodious and inviting places for erecting new houses, while fifteen hundred of the old ones, which is a seventh part of the whole city, are said to be left uninhabited and falling to ruin."

Swift on building in Dublin.

Towards the same period Sir Michael Creagh,[1] ex-Lord Mayor, during a visit to Dublin, stated his objections to the unnecessary increase of new houses there, as well as to unsanitary results likely to ensue from taking in and building on portions of the strands.

Sir Michael Creagh.

A reproduction[2] is appended of a contemporary map of the Strand on the North side of the Liffey, as it was set out by the Municipal Council. On the map are indicated the positions, numbers, and

Map of Strand.

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[1] Lord Mayor of Dublin, 1688-9. *See* vol. v., p. xlix. [2] Illustration No. II

extents of the respective lots, with the names of the persons to whom they were granted.

In our Appendix[1] are given, from hitherto unpublished sources, tables in connection with numbers of houses in Dublin, and memoranda on Dublin Bills of mortality. Houses. Bills of mortality

The year 1724 was memorable in Dublin for the agitation in connection with the copper money intended for Ireland, and coined in England by William Wood, under patent from the Crown. Dublin. Wood's coinage.

The bankers, merchants and trade guilds of Dublin published notices,[2] declaring that they would neither receive nor utter Wood's coins. The Dublin municipal council petitioned the king in relation to the evil consequences which they apprehended would follow from a circulation in Ireland of the copper halfpence and farthings coined by Wood. Declarations. Petition to George I.

"We are," they wrote, "under the strongest apprehensions, in case they should be uttered amongst us, that it will tend to the ruin of public credit, put a stop to our trade and commerce, and prove the occasion of infinite quarrels and disputes, to the impoverishment of this kingdom, and the great diminution of your Majesty's revenue."

They implored the King to take measures to

[1] Pp. 577-8. [2] Page 608.

free them from the "terrible apprehensions" they laboured under from the patent granted to Wood, and to prevent "the ruin of multitudes of his faithful subjects."[1] This petition was adopted by the Municipal Council on the 8th of September, 1724.

Procla-mation.

On the 27th of the following month the Viceroy, Carteret, and the Privy Council at Dublin issued a proclamation[2] offering a reward of three hundred pounds for discovery of the author of "a wicked and malicious pamphlet, entitled a Letter to the whole people of Ireland by M. B., Drapier."

Drapier's Letter.

More than five years subsequently Dean Swift was admitted by special grace to the franchise of the city of Dublin.

Presen-tation to Swift.

The vote for the presentation of the certificate of the grant in a gold box, is recorded on the assembly roll[3] of the seventh of November, 1729.

Observa-tions by Swift.

In his observations to the Lord Mayor and some of the aldermen who came to present him with his freedom, Swift, we are told, expressed a "little mortification" at the delay which had attended it. He confessed himself to be the author of the "Drapier's Letters," and spoke

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[1] P. 268.

[2] Page 609.

[3] Page 476.—Swift's "Travels of Gulliver" had been published at London in 1726 by Benjamin Motte

gently of the proclamation offering three hundred pounds to discover the writer; he acknowledged "to have expressed his wishes that an inscription might have been engraved on the box, showing some reason why the city thought fit to do him that honour, which was much out of the common forms to a person in a private station; those distinctions being usually made only to chief governors or persons in very high employments."[1]

Inscription. Gold box.

John Harding, printer of the "Drapier's Letters," in 1724, had during some years previously published on Tuesdays and Saturdays a single-leaf newspaper in double columns, entitled "Harding's Dublin Impartial News Letter." The second Drapier's letter was addressed by Swift to "Mr. Harding, the printer, on occasion of a paragraph in his newspaper of August [1724], relating to Mr. Wood's halfpence."

Harding, printer. Newspaper.

The Grand Jury's rejection of the bill against Harding[2] was ascribed to a publication by Swift, entitled: "Seasonable advice to the Grand Jury concerning the bill preparing against the printer of the Drapier's fourth Letter."

Grand Jury.

Various entries in relation to city printers

Dublin printers.

[1] The portrait of Swift, prefixed to this volume, is reproduced from an engraving in mezzotinto, executed at Dublin by Andrew Miller in 1748, from a painting by Francis Bindon. The inscription on the scroll is in reference to the remission of ecclesiastical "first fruits," in Ireland, obtained from Queen Anne by Swift's exertions.

[2] *See* History of the City of Dublin, vol. i., p. 59.

appear on these rolls. To encourage five Dublin printers who combined to publish an edition of the authorized English version of the Bible, the city subscribed for one thousand copies at twenty pence each in sheets.

English Bible.

Among the printers admitted at this period to the freedom of the city was George Faulkner, subsequently well known as Swift's Dublin publisher.

Faulkner.

On the occasion of the perambulation of the franchises in 1728, representatives of the Company of stationers appeared in the procession with a printing press, at which compositors worked at a broad-sheet containing an English poem in double columns on the "Art of printing." At head of the sheet were portraits of Guttenberg and Koster. Below was the following: "Printed before the Company of Stationers, 8th August, 1728, being the day the franchises and bounds of the City of Dublin and liberties thereof were perambulated by the right honorable Sir Nathaniel Whittwell, Lord Mayor, Henry Daniell and Richard Grattan, esquires, Sheriffs, and the rest of the citizens."

Company of stationers.

The Municipal Council voted a contribution of ten pounds towards defraying the expense of a map of Dublin,[1] engraved in London, and issued in 1728-9.

Map of Dublin.

[1] *See* page 443.

This map bears a dedication to Lord Carteret from Charles Brooking, who, it is stated at head, made the survey from which it was engraved. On the assembly roll, however, the contribution of the council is recorded to have been made to Thomas Brooking, and he is mentioned as the author of the map. Brooking.

A reproduction of Brooking's map of Dublin in a reduced size is appended to the present volume, together with facsimiles of engravings, which appear on the margins of some copies of it. Reproduction.

Through Sir Alexander Cairns the municipal council, in 1713, received a communication from Captain John Perry in relation to improvement of the harbour of Dublin. Perry had recently returned from Russia, where, in the employment of the Tsar, Peter, "the Great," he had carried out extensive operations in rendering rivers navigable. He also enjoyed the confidence of Lord Aylmer of Balrath, Co. Meath, Warden of Dover and Governor of Greenwich Hospital. Captain John Perry. Russia. Peter the Great.

On the request of the Municipal Council, Perry came to Dublin in September, 1713, and, in concert with officials of the Ballast Office, examined the soil, took soundings of the harbour, and carried on investigations. At the close of the following April, he returned to England, as it was found impracticable to conclude any arrangements at Ballast Office. Harbour.

Dublin on account of difficulties in connection with the dubious legal position in which the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs then stood.

In England Perry entered into a contract with the trustees appointed by act of Parliament for the stopping of the breach in the levels at Havering and Dagenham on the Thames. In carrying this large and precarious work to a successful termination, Perry was occupied till 1721. In that year, at the instance of some important members of the House of Commons in Ireland, he returned to Dublin. After further investigations there he explained his plans to the House of Commons.[1] That body resolved that the methods which he proposed were reasonable and practicable on the following subjects: for making a better depth of water over the bar of Dublin, to protect ships lying in the harbour from the violence of the waves breaking over the sands of the South Bull, and for making a basin in which ships might always lie afloat and secure. The House requested the Lord Lieutenant to entreat the King to grant to Captain Perry "such mark of his royal favour as might encourage him to remain in Ireland."

Havering. Dagenham.

House of Commons, Dublin.

Recommendation.

No movement appears to have been made in

[1] *See* p. 580, "Projects in connection with Dublin Harbour."

these matters at the time, and Perry was, in 1724, appointed engineer to the new harbour at Rye. Rye. In the following year, he, with Thomas Burgh, surveyor-general, by direction of the Lord Lieutenant, examined the state of Dublin harbour, Dublin harbour. and Perry submitted a statement entitled: "A method proposed for making a safe and convenient entrance to the port of Dublin for ships of burthen to come in and go out by day or night at low water, without those hazards, loss of opportunity of winds and difficulties they are exposed to in their voyages."

Perry summarized his proposal as follows:

"What I now humbly offer is the quitting and going without the sands and shoals which have been beyond all memory accompanied with distresses, by the carrying out of a pier into the depth in the sea before mentioned without the creek of Sutton; to cut a canal for the passage of ships from thence to the city within the North Bull, along by the shore of Clontarf to the point of Ringsend; and to fix a sluice towards the outward part of the canal where the ground is best for that purpose, by which to keep up such head of water from thence to the city as may at all times of the tide answer the service of boats and gabbards with expedition and safety going from thence to the quays, on occasion of lading and unlading large ships lying below the sluice that have not sufficient depth of water for coming up to the quays with their lading, as likewise for the penning up and letting off such head of water as occasion shall require; at first to assist in the deepening, and afterwards to scour and maintain the depth in the way from thence to the sea for ships of at least about twelve feet draught of water lying afloat, as now in some places there is found that depth on spring tides Perry's proposal.

within the creek; and there is, therefore, all reason to depend that by proper help full the same, if not a much better, depth may be made and maintained at this place for ever."

Estimated cost.

The entire cost of carrying out the proposed work was estimated by Perry at thirty-six thousand six hundred and six pounds, sixteen shillings and nine pence. Perry's statement was referred by the Viceroy to the Ballast Office and the Municipal Council to be reported on.

After consultation with merchants, shipmasters, and experienced mariners, the council laid before Lord Carteret their reasons for condemning Perry's scheme, and no further action appears to have been taken in relation to it. The Municipal Council stated that the works under their direction by the

Ballast Office.

Ballast Office would eventually effect the objects in view, and had already enabled ships of good burthen to come up to the quays and to lie safely in the harbour.

From the funds of the Ballast Office was defrayed the cost of sail cloth, one hundred yards of which the city was bound to deliver annually to the Admiralty in London. This arrangement —intended as a recognition of the rights of the Admiralty—was made to facilitate the passing of the statute under which the Ballast Office was established. The material was described as the

Irish sail cloth.

"best Irish duck sail cloth manufactured, in

Ireland, in imitation of the best Holland duck," and the cost was set down at one shilling and sixpence per yard.

The reports from the directors of the Ballast Office to the Municipal Council furnished many details relative to the progress of their works in contending with winds, water, sands, and various obstacles. Works.

In connection with civic administration, it may be mentioned that in the early part of the eighteenth century the annual salary of the Recorder of Dublin was thirty-five pounds, and that the municipal law business which required his continuous attention was of very large extent. Recorder of Dublin.

John Foster, Recorder of Dublin, was in 1714 appointed Chief Justice of Common Pleas. Sir John Rogerson, his successor in the Recordership, obtained the post of Chief Justice of the King's Bench in 1727. Francis Stoyte, who succeeded him as Recorder, was granted by the Municipal Council an increased annual salary of one hundred and fifty pounds. Foster. Sir John Rogerson. Stoyte

At this period, the sum annually voted to the Lord Mayor of Dublin for the expenses connected with his office was nine hundred pounds. This amount was intended to cover disbursements caused by increased prices of provisions, residence Lord Mayor.

of the Viceroy at Dublin, and sitting of parliament there. Expenditure was also authorized by the city on the Mayoralty house, furniture and garden.

An engraving of the "Lord Mayor's House," as it stood in 1728, is included in the present volume.[1]

References occur in the records to the Lord Mayor's regiment, his grenadiers, trumpeters, halberteers, and the city musicians. Lewis Layfield, who had been an actor on the London stage, was appointed overseer of the Dublin city musicians, with the title of "senior hautboy."

City Musicians.

These musicians were directed to wear blue coats, with laced hats, and their pay was advanced from forty shillings to four pounds per annum.

Owing to "great inconveniences," which are stated to have happened, a municipal ordinance was passed in 1728 for the discontinuance of the annual city ball on St. Stephen's night at the house of the Lord Mayor, and that instead of it he should in future give a yearly subscription of twenty guineas to the Blue Coat Hospital.

Ball at Lord Mayor's house.

Abolition was also decreed of the old usage of presenting gloves to the Lady Mayoress on admission to the freedom of the city. As an

Lady Mayoress. Gloves.

[1] Illustration No. IV.

equivalent to the Lady Mayoress, an annual sum of thirty-two guineas was allocated to her and to each of her successors in office.

In connection with civic privileges, it may be noted that a lease of a city oyster-bed was granted on covenant that, in addition to payment of an annual rent, ten thousand large oysters should be delivered yearly to the Lord Mayor, and two thousand of the same to each Sheriff. Liberty was also reserved to the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, Aldermen and commons, with their ladies, "to go and eat oysters at the bed for one day in each year." Oysters.

Towards illustrating the constitution of the Municipal Council, lists are here given[1] of the members of each of the twenty-four City Guilds elected to serve upon it in the years 1714 and 1717. City Guilds.

On the representation of traders, the Guild of Merchants of Dublin addressed a memorial to Lord Carteret, with the object of obtaining a modification of laws which prohibited commerce between Ireland and English settlements abroad. Guild of merchants. Trade of Ireland.

The document[2] was presented to the Viceroy, Lord Carteret, and formed the subject of a communication from him to the Duke of Newcastle, Secretary of State at the time, in England.

[1] *See* pages 573–576.

[2] *See* page 608.

Lord Carteret's communication was, by the Duke of Newcastle, transmitted to the King, and his Majesty desired the opinion of the Lords of the Treasury in England to be taken upon the subject.

In the Appendix to this volume will be found papers which throw new light on the lengthened contest concerning elections of Lords Mayor and Sheriffs of Dublin in the early part of the last century.

Civic contest.

The claims to rights of continuance in office as Lord Mayor, and to nomination of candidates for succession to the Mayoralty, asserted by Sir Samuel Cooke, were upheld by Queen Anne's Government, but rejected by the first parliament in Ireland after the accession of George I.

Lord Mayor.

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IV.—CALENDAR OF ROLLS[1]

OF

THE CITY OF DUBLIN.

XIX.—Assembly Roll, 1716—1726.

Roll xix. m. 37.

1716. April 13.—Second Friday after Easter.[2] 1716.

[1.] Daniel Cooke, servant to the Right Honorable the Lord Mayor, setting forth that his Lordship has been at extraordinary expence on his coming into the new house, as also by reason of a new government in his Lordships time of Mayoralty, a parliament likewise sitting, and the franchises to be rid, and therefore prays an augmentation for his Lordships use: it is thereupon ordered that the treasurer of the city do pay to the petitioner, on the Lord Mayors warrant, for his Lordships use, four hundred pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Lord Mayor. Mayoralty house. Franchises. Riding. Payment.

[2.] Jacob Peppard, esquire, setting forth that John Porter and John Tisdall, esquires, present Sheriffs, by reason of the change of the government of this kingdom, and the sitting of a parliament this year, are considerable losers, the profits of the office not bearing half their expence, and praying an allowance: it is therefore ordered that the treasurer of the city do pay to the petitioner, on the Lord Mayors warrant, for the use of the present Sheriffs, two hundred pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed him on his accounts. Peppard. Porter. Tisdall. Parliament. Expenses. Payment.

[3.] Benjamin Burton, esquire, in behalf of himself and the rest of the officers belonging to his regiment of Burton.

[1] In continuation from vol. vi., p. 558.

[2] Easter day, 1 April, 1716.

1716. Militia horse.

militia horse, setting forth that the trophy money, which this honorable city has already granted the said regiment, has fallen very short of the necessary trophies which belong to such a regiment, as per the following account: Roll xix. m. 37.

Trophy money.

	£	s.
For six trumpets at six pounds each ...	36	„
For six trumpet banners and two standards	75	„
For kettle drum and banners ...	25	„
For two standard staffs	3	„
For seven housings and six pair of bags for the trumpets and kettle drummer	4	12
For seven livery coats for the trumpeters and kettle drummer	62	8
For repairing the arms got out of the stores	47	„
For hats laced for the trumpeters and kettle drummer	3	10
For cutting swords for said regiment, 30 to each troop, at 7s. per sword ...	63	„
For two hundred and forty carbine belts at five shillings each	60	„
	£379	10

Payment.

And therefore prays a consideration: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayors warrant, do pay to the petitioner for the use in the petition mentioned, the sum of two hundred ninety nine pounds ten shillings, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Quaile.

[4.] William Quaile, alderman, setting forth that last assembly he obtained of the city a lease of lives renewable for ever of the 'Three wolfs heads,' in High street, but that Mr. Mapas, the present tenant, whose time is not quite expired, refuses to attorn or come to reasonable terms for such his small time therein, which renders the lease for lives impracticable, and therefore prays a fee farm instead of the lease for lives, on a reasonable m. 37 b.

"Three wolves' heads."

Fee farm.

Roll xix. m. 37 b.

fine in lieu of the casual fines: ordered that the petitioner have a fee farm of the premises at twenty pounds per annum rent, and to pay to the treasurer, for the use of the city, thirty pounds as a fine, the rent to commence from Easter, 1719, and paying ten shillings to the Poor House for the use of the poor. Deeds to be drawn as Mr. Recorder shall advise. 1716. Poor House.

[5.] William Bayly having petitioned for further recompence for past services done the city, and a gratuity for what he is now doing and is to do: ordered that the treasurer do pay to the petitioner thirty pounds, sterling, on the Lord Mayors warrant, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Bayly. Services. Payment.

[6.] On the petition of Bucknall Tottie, setting forth that her father was Lord Mayor;[1] that on the citys account he was imprisoned in London; that he died poor by reason of his sufferings on the city account; that the tithes of Rathdrum were set to one who broke, and is now in gaole for the arrears: which petition was referred, and the committee made the following report: Tottie. Lord Mayor. Rathdrum. Committee.

'Pursuant to your honors order of the last assembly, we have examined the contents of the petition, and are of opinion that the petitioner be remitted the arrears of rent due out of the premises to the city till Michaelmas last, and that the petitioner is a fit object for the citys favour, 5th of April, 1716:' Report.

And having petitioned this assembly to have said report made an act of assembly:

Ordered: That the arrears of rent be remitted the petitioner according to the above report.

[7.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that James Butler, the late duke of Ormonde, is attainted of high treason, and actually in rebellion, and pray that the Butlers arms, on the front of the Tholsell, may therefore be taken down or defaced: ordered that the said arms be taken down. Duke of Ormonde. Butlers' arms. Tholsel. Defacement.

[1] Sir John Totty, Lord Mayor, 1671-2. *See* vol. v., p. xii.

1716. Secretaries of State.

[8]. Certain of the commons, setting forth that it is customary for the city to present the secretaries of State with the freedom of the city; that the right honorable Martin Bladen, esquire, hath not received that compliment as yet, and pray he may: ordered that the freedom of this city be presented to Mr. Secretary Bladen in a silver box, as usual, the expence thereof to be paid by the treasurer and allowed him on his accounts. Roll xix. m. 37 *b*.

Martin Bladen.

Franchise.

Presentation.

Silver box.

Delafay.

[9.] Certain of the commons, setting forth, the same in behalfe of Mr. Secretary Delafay, and praying the like compliment may be paid him: ordered that Mr. Secretary Delafay be presented with the freedom of this city in a silver box, the expence to be paid by the treasurer and allowed him on his accounts.

Presentation.

[10.] Certain of the commons, praying to inlarge the assembly: ordered that the assembly be inlarged till nine o'clock. m. 36.

Assembly extension.

Good-enough, attorney.

[11.] Richard Goodenough, praying to be admitted a city attorney: granted during the citys pleasure.

Denham.

[12.] On the petition of Ann Denham, setting forth that she is the widow of Thomas Denham,[1] who was one of the Sheriffs of this city; that by reason of her great age she cannot now well subsist on the allowance of ten pounds per annum, formerly granted her by this honorable city, and prays an additional allowance: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayors warrant, do pay to the petitioner ten pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed him on his accounts.

Sheriff.

Allowance.

Payment.

Ballast Office.

[13.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 13th April, 1716:

Report.

'Since our last report we have some more timber come in, and expect the remainder of our agreement for two hundred tun, with Captain Rogers, every day, and likewise a quantity of kishes are soon expected. And it being now a proper season not only to go on with the

[1] Sheriff of Dublin in 1694-5. *See* vol. vi., p. 76.

Roll xix. m. 36.

pileing below Ringsend, as formerly proposed, but also to carry the bank of kishes up towards Mourneys dock, we intend to go on with the said work with all expedition, according to the best advice we can get.' 1716. Ringsend. Bank of kishes.

Ordered to proceed with all expedition.—Allowed.

'Pursuant to the order of last assembly, we have advised with council about removing the heaps of small stones which lye in the channel, laid down there by Mr. Vernon, which opinion we have hereunto annexed for your honors directions how to proceed therein.' Stones. Channel. Vernon.

Ordered to follow the councils advice and pursue his opinion.—Allowed.

'The city wall between Mr. Mercer and sir John Rogersons keay being now a building, and the receiver general having signified to us that the city is at present out of cash, therefore desires that the Ballast Office should advance the money for carrying on the said work, and that the city will repay the same when in cash, or when the office shall have occasion for the same, which we are willing to do, provided this honorable assembly approves thereof.' Approved of.—Allowed. Cash advance.

'We have prepared an abstract of all the receipts and payments of the Ballast Office from the first of May, 1713, inclusive, to the first of November, 1715, exclusive, in order to have the city seal affixed to it, that the said abstract may be laid before the Government, as the act of parliament directs:' Receipts. Payments.

Ordered to be sealed and presented to the Government.—Allowed.

'In the first abstract laid before their excellencies the lords justices and council, in the year 1710, it was therein mentioned that the city expended £484 5s. 2½d. in obtaining the act for the Ballast Office, which was reserved to their further considerations. We desire your honours directions if you think it proper to be mentioned in the abstract now to be laid before the Government and council.'

1716. Ordered: the £484 5s. 2½d., to be mentioned in the abstract, to be presented as above, and that the city petition the lords justices and council for the allowance thereof to the city out of the Ballast Office.—Allowed. Roll xix m. 36.

Ballast Office.

'An abstract of the cash now in the Office is hereunto annexed: All which is humbly submitted to this honourable assembly: Thomas Bolton.—Mathew Pearson.—Thomas Curtis.—John Porter.—Jos. Kane.—Thomas Stringer.—William Empson.—William Aston.—Edward Surdevil.'

An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 18th day of January, 1715[-16], exclusive, to the 12th day of April, 1716, inclusive: m. 36 *b*.

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.
To balance of accounts to the 18th January, 1715[-16], inclusive ...	36	11	2
To cash received from 18th January, exclusive, to 12th April, inclusive	627	9	5
Total	664	0	7
Deduct payments	557	8	10
Balance in the Office	106	11	9
Besides in Messrs. Burton and Harrisons hands, as per account	2530	0	0
Total in cash	£2636	11	1

Per contra.	Cred. £	s.	d.
By sundry disbursements on the Office account from the 18th January, 1715[-16], exclusive, to the 12th April, inclusive	557	8	10

Case. [14.] [Case for advice and opinion of counsel.]

'By an act passed in the late queens time for erecting a Ballast Office in the city of Dublin, the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, commons and citizens of the city of Dublin are constituted keepers and conservators of the port of Dublin. They have made a lease to sir John Rogerson of a piece of ground on the south side of the channel, which sir John Rogerson was obliged to inclose:

Port of Dublin. Lease. Rogerson. Vernon.

'Sir John Rogerson, in order to carry on the work, has contracted with one Vernon,[1] to furnish him with stones.

[1] Of Clontarf, co. Dublin.

Roll xix. m. 35 b. Vernon has laid down a great quantity of them on the north side of sir John Rogersons wall, by sir Johns directions, as Vernon alleges, and within the channel. Sir John Rogerson has taken what stones he thought were fit for his use, and has left the rest: 1716

'Vernon alleges that sir John was to take both small and great stones as they rise out of the quarry, and therefore refuses to remove them, by which means they continue in the channel and are a very great nuisance to our shipping. Quarry. Shipping.

'Query: How is the city to remove them? And whether against sir John Rogerson or Vernon, or both? or whether the city may not remove them of their own authority without apprehending any law suit from Vernon?'

[Opinion:] 'Every navigable river is a high road, and any person whatsoever may remove whatsoever is thrown into it that obstructs the passage, and the city may, without all doubt, as conservators of the river and port of Dublin, reform this nuisance, and are obliged to do it, and Vernon, or the persons who throw in the stones, may be proceeded against by indictment or presentment. Opinion. Obstruction. Passage. River. Port.

'But the most expeditious method of proceeding against them is by an act made in the sixth year of the late queen for erecting a Ballast Office, by which any person who has thrown any rubbish into the river, upon conviction upon oath before the Lord Mayor, or any justice of the city or county at large, is to forfeit five shillings to the informer, to be levied by distress and sale of his goods. Act. Ballast Office. Penalty.

m. 35. 'Though the city may remove the stones, yet the property continues still in sir John Rogerson or Vernon, and though the city may remove them and throw them out of the channel on the banks, yet I am of opinion they cannot hinder those who have the property from taking them again. Property. Banks.

'I am of opinion that the city have no reason to

1716. apprehend any law suit either from sir John Rogerson or Vernon for removing those stones, for if there should Roll xix. m. 35.

Lease. be any clause in sir Johns lease that he may lay stones for building his walls in the channel of the river, yet

Removal. they must be removed in convenient time, and not suffered to lye there longer than is absolutely necessary.

Marlay. April the 9th, 1716.—Thomas Marlay.'[1]

Lord Mayor. [15.] Alderman Thomas Pleasants is elected Lord Mayor for the ensuing year, commencing from Michaelmas next.

Sheriffs. [16.] Mr. Thomas Somervill and Mr. William Empson are elected Sherriffs for the said year, commencing as aforesaid.

Pleasants. [17.] Alderman Thomas Pleasants, after his approbation by the Government, applied to the Lord Mayor and

Excuse. aldermen to be excused from undergoing the Mayoralty: he was excused accordingly.—22nd May, 1716.

Bolton. [18.] Alderman Thomas Bolton is elected Lord Mayor for the ensuing year, commencing from Michaelmas next.

Somerville. [19.] Mr. Thomas Somerville, having applied to the Lord Mayor and aldermen to be excused from serving

Sheriff. as one of the Sherriffs for the ensuing year, he was excused accordingly.—9th June, 1716.

King, Sheriff. [20.] Mr. David King is elected Sherriff for the ensuing year, commencing from Michaelmas next, instead of Mr. Thomas Somerville.

Franchise. Admissions to franchise. m. 38.

1716. June 9. m. 39.

Bulkley. [1.] Upon the petition of Thomas Bulkley, clerk,

Rathdrum. setting forth that the living of Rathdrum, in the county of Wicklow, is become vacant by the removal of Charles Watts, late incumbent of the said living, and praying

Presentation. the city to grant him a presentation to the same under the city seal: ordered that the petitioner have a presentation to the said living under the city seal.

[1] Appointed chief justice king's bench, Ireland, 1741.

Roll xix. m. 39. [2.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that his majesty, with God Almightys assistance, the wisdom of his council, and success of his arms, has seasonably suppressed the late horrid rebellion fomented in Great Britain, and that it is the duty of this city to address his majesty thereon; that Mr. Recorder has prepared the following address, and pray that the same be the address of this city, and sent to his majesty under the city seal: ordered that the same be the address of this city, and sent to his majestie under the city seal: 1716. Rebellion. George I. City seal.

'To the kings most excellent majesty:

'The humble address of the Lord Mayor, Sherriffs, Commons and citizens of the city of Dublin, at an assembly held at the Tholsell of the said city on the 9th day of June, 1716:

'Most gracious sovereign:

'We, your majesties most dutiful and loyal subjects, at this time humbly beg leave to approach your majestie with our hearty and sincere congratulations upon the happy success wherewith it has pleased Almighty God to bless your arms and councils, in suppressing the late horrid and unnatural rebellion in Great Britain, and frustrating the designs of your enemies, well knowing that the natural result of all attempts of this nature, when confounded and extinguished as this has been, must necessarily tend to the more firm establishment of that most just, mild and gracious government which your subjects everywhere enjoy under your majesty. Address to George I.

'We are thoroughly convinced that all your majesties real interests are our own in the highest degree, and that the extirpation of the Protestant religion, and the subversion of our laws and liberties, must have been the unavoidable consequences of the late horrid attempt, raised and carried on by your majesties traitors and perjured subjects in favour of a Popish pretender, bred up in Romish superstition and arbitrary principles. Protestant religion. Pretender.

m. 39 b. 'And, therefore, we of this city cheerfully lay hold of

1716. this opportunity of declaring our utmost detestation and abhorrence of the principles and practices of those of your majesties subjects, whom neither your majesties goodness and unparalleled clemency can reconcile to your government, nor your power deter from their disloyalty, and do most humbly assure your majestie, with the profoundest sincerity, that we are ready to sacrifice our lives and our all in defence of your sacred person, which is so justly dear to us, and in support of your rightful and lawful title to the imperial throne of your ancestors, and of the succession in your royal house. Roll xix. m. 39 b.

'May all your majesties open and secret enemies, as well abroad as at home, be timely discovered, and all their projects and wicked devices against your majestie be brought to shame and confusion, while we shall ever rejoyce and glory in being ranked among the most dutiful, loyal and obedient of your majesties subjects:

City seal. 'In testimony whereof we have caused the common seal of the said city to be hereunto affixed.'

1716. July 20.—Fourth Friday after 24 June. m. 42.

[1.] Certain of the commons setting forth that, for the honour of the city of Dublin, some more distinguishing mark of the citys favour should be placed on their

Forster, Recorder. late worthy Recorder[1] than was formerly granted him, who, by his abilities, vigilance and steady adherence to the true interest of this city, was highly instrumental in preserving its liberties, to the neglect of his private affairs, and the considerable detriment of his own fortune; that in Christmas assembly, 1714, there was an order for five hundred pounds to be paid by him, which as yet he has not received, and therefore pray he may be rewarded in some other manner as most becoming the

Eminent services. honour and dignity of this city, and the eminent services by him performed in defending the rights thereof: whereupon it is ordered as followeth: whereas by an

[1] John Forster.

Roll xix. m. 42. act of assembly, of Christmas, 1714, it was ordered that 1716. the late Recorder, in consideration of his having faithfully stood by the rights and liberties of this city in City rights and liberties. times of extream danger, should be paid the sum of five hundred pounds, sterling, as an acknowledgement of such Acknowledgment of services. his services, which sum has not as yet been paid him; and certain of the commons having this assembly prayed that he may be rewarded in some other manner for the same: it is therefore ordered that the said order as to the five hundred pounds be and is hereby discharged, and that in lieu thereof fifty pounds per annum of the rent Rent. payable by him to the city out of the lands of Dunakerny Dunakerny be remitted to the said late Recorder, the present lord Remission. chief justice Forster, during the remainder of the term his lordship has therein, from Michaelmas next ensuing.

[2.] On the petition of alderman Edward Surdeville Surdeville. and Mrs. Bradshaw, widow of Thomas Bradshaw, alder- Bradshaw. man, deceased, setting forth that in the year 1703 the m. 42 b. lower part of the Old Crane in Winetavern street was Old Crane, Wine-tavern-street. set by the city for fifty one years at fifteen pounds per annum, to be paid the Sherriffs of this city, and successors, at Michaelmas and Easter, and capons or five shillings, to the Lord Mayor, with clause of distress and re-entry; that petitioner served from Michaelmas, 1712, to Michaelmas, 1713, and thereby [is] intituled to a years rent, being fifteen pounds, but could not get the same from Ryder, who lately held the Crane, nor Jones, who Ryder. Jones. now has it, and therefore pray relief by the citys compelling Ryder or Jones to pay them, or by distress or re-entry, and by allowing them the rent for the year commencing 1713: ordered that the contents of the petition relating to the weigh house be referred to Mr. Weigh-house. Recorder, to order such proper measures for recovery of the rent thereof as he shall think fit, and that the petitioner be impowered to receive all the Sherriffs rents Sheriffs' rents. that fell due for the year commencing Michaelmas, 1713. Fair-brother, printer.

[3.] On the petition of Samuel Fairbrother, printer,

1716. setting forth that the report and proceedings in relation to the election of magistrates for the city of Dublin, which was reported the 6th of June, 1716, in the house of commons, are now in the press, and he appointed to print the same, and prays incouragement from the city to so good a work: ordered that the petitioner be paid for two hundred of the reports (when finished) for each a British half crown, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his account, and that the said reports be distributed to the Lord Mayor, Sherriffs and Commons, and one to each corporation. Roll xix. m. 42 b.

Reports.

Price.

[4.] On a former petition of Joseph Tininson, setting forth that he has been concerned in the city lights five years past; that he has faithfully discharged his office and has been a loser, by reason of the great rate oil bore and the frequent damage sustained by the breaking his lamps; that he is desirous to continue the said imploy, having oil mills of his own, which petition was referred to a committee, who made the following report:

City lights

Oil.

Lamps.

Committee.

Report.

'We, the committee appointed to inquire about the city lights, are of opinion that Mr. Joseph Tininson is a fit and proper person to be concerned in the management of the city lights for one year; that the same number of lights be continued as required by the act; that four hundred of the lamps be glazed this year with French or white glass by said Tininson; that he begins to light on the 15th of September, and continue to the 13th of April; that he begins to light each dark night at five o'clock, so as the light continues till one; that one light be placed at each end of the four bridges, and one in the middle of the same, to continue burning all night; that where there are dead walls and no houses built, the lights to be placed at the same distance as the act directs in the streets; and at the end of the said year all the lamps be delivered up by said Tininson, glazed as aforesaid, pursuant to the statute.'

Lamps.

Glass.

Lighting.

Hours.

Bridges.

Distances.

Streets.

And the said Tininson having now petitioned to have m. 41.

Roll xix. m. 41.

the same report made an act of assembly, it is ordered accordingly, and that the lights and utensils be delivered up to the city next May, if they shall think proper, and that he shall enter into articles to perform the agreement in the report mentioned, as Mr. Recorder shall advise, the said Tininson receiving such profits for the same as are allowed by the statute in that case made and provided. 1716. Profits.

[5.] Upon a report of the standing committee for Stephens Green, and petition of certain of the commons to make the same an act of assembly: ordered that gravel be dug for the north walk when the season offers, and that Robert Belford oversees the work of the Green, the Green keepers to receive their orders from him, and he to provide such trees as are wanting, first giving my Lord Mayor notice from time to time, and that Mr. William Dobson be on the said committee a commoner, in the room of Mr. Alderman Surdeville. Stephen's Green. Gravel Walk. Keepers. Trees. Dobson. Committee.

[6.] Rowland Parker, Gilbert Kelly, Mathew Bowen and Richard West, city adjutants, setting forth that by reason of their constant attendance in disciplining the city militia, they cannot mind their own private affairs, and praying a salary or further gratuity: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayors warrant, do pay to the petitioners twenty pounds, sterling; five pounds to each, and the same to be allowed him on his accounts. Adjutants. City Militia. Payment.

[7.] On the petition of Joseph Parsons, setting forth that he is a freeman, and reduced to extreme poverty, having a wife and four children in a perishing condition, and prays relief and the citys charity: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayors warrant, do pay the petitioner ten pounds towards his relief, the same to be allowed him on his accounts. Joseph Parsons. Charity.

[8.] On petition of certain of the commons to enlarge the assembly: ordered the same be enlarged to nine o'clock. Assembly. Time.

[9.] On the petition of William Bayly, praying a further consideration and gratuity for past services: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayors warrant, Bayly.

1716. Payment. do pay the petitioner twenty pounds, sterling, in consideration of his past services, the same to be allowed him on his accounts. Roll xix. m. 41.

Draycott, attorney. [10.] John Draycott, setting forth that he is a freeman and an attorney in the exchequer, and prays to be admitted an attorney of the Tholsel court: granted during the citys pleasure.

Walsh, attorney. [11.] John Walsh, setting forth that he is a freeman and an attorney in the kings bench, and prays to be admitted an attorney of the Tholsel court of this city: granted during the citys pleasure.

Ballast Office. [12.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 20th of July, 1716:

Report. 'That since the last assembly the ground on the south side the channel below Ringsend is staked out, according to the opinion of several merchants, and others skilled in the seafaring trade, in order to be piled; that Engines. Holland. one engine is sent for to Holland, another making here; that as soon as they are ready, shall go on with driving Piles. the piles, according to the said opinions; that a man is sent for to Holland that shall be skilled in pileing, making of banks, and to have the overseeing and direction of the said work:' ordered to proceed; the assembly agreeing to this paragraph. m. 41 b.

Kishes. Channel. 'That the kishes on the north side the channel are now brought up to the land, as far as it is thought necessary, and will be so strong, when backed and finished, Floods. as may prevent the floods from breaking through to the northward for the future, and keep the current in its right channel:' the like order.

Gabbards. 'That the gabbards belonging to the Office being rather too few in number to carry on the several works now going on, and to supply the necessary occasions of Float. the Office, have built a large float, carrying forty tuns at Stones. least, and cost £112 14s., to bring stones, etc., to the said works, or be otherwise imployed, as the directors shall think proper:' ordered as before.

Roll six. m. 41 *b*.

'That the collecting the annual rents due to the Ballast Office from gabbards, wherrys and boats meets with difficulty, the arrear considerable and increase yearly for want of full power by the act to recover the same; and the city, having a power to make by laws by the said act, as they shall think fit and necessary for the good government of the said Office, propose that a by law be made, as Mr. Recorder shall advise, to oblige owners of gabbards, etc., that ply in the river to pay their rents more punctually than hitherto they have done:' Ordered that Mr. Recorder be applyed to to draw such by law as shall be proper. 1716. Rents Boats Owners.

Mr. Alderman Surdeville continued one of the directors, as an alderman, and Mr. Peter Verdoen in his room as a commoner. Surdeville Verdoen.

'An abstract of the cash now in the Office is hereunto annexed, and humbly submitted to this honorable assembly:

'Thomas Bolton.—Mathew Pearson.—Thomas Curtis.—Edward Surdeville.—John Porter.—William Aston.—Joseph Kane.—Henry Glegg.—William Empson.'

m. 40. An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts, from the 12th of April, 1716, exclusive, to the 19th of July, 1716, inclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra.	£	s.	d.
To balance of accounts from 12th April, 1716, inclusive ..	107	1	9	By sundry disbursements on the Office account, from 12th April, 1716, exclusive, to 19th July, 1716, inclusive ..	840	5	5½
To cash received from 12th April, exclusive, to 19th July, 1716, inclusive	1035	17	5	By money expended in building the new city wall between sir John Rogersons ground and Mr. Mercers, as per account	253	2	5
Total	1142	19	2				
Deduct	1093	7	10½				
Balance in Office ..	£49	11	3½				
Besides in Messrs. Burton and Harrisons hands, as per account	2138	16	8				
Total in cash,	£2188	7	11½	Total,	£1093	7	10½

m. 43. Admissions to franchise. Franchise.

1716. 1716. October 19.—Third Friday after 29 September. Roll xix. m. 46.

Lord Mayor. Sheriffs. Lord Mayor: Thomas Bolton; Sheriffs: William Empson and David King.

Lord Mayor's house. [1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that they conceived there is no occasion for continuing the standing committee for Lord Mayors house, and therefore pray the same may be dissolved: it is thereupon ordered that the said standing committee be dissolved, and that aldermen Mathew Pearson, Thomas Somerville and four of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any Committee. three of them, be appointed a committee to take an account of all the goods in the Lord Mayors house belonging to the city, and that Mr. Mills do attend the Inventory. said committee, and when an inventory is made thereof Tholsel office. the same to be lodged in the Tholsel office, in order to be recorded:

Richard Blair, Thomas Stanford, John Reisin, Christopher Inch, the four commoners named by the commons.

[2.] Daniel Cooke, servant to the right honorable the Lord Mayor, praying an allowance for his Lordship to Mayoralty. support the dignity of the Mayoralty as hath been usual: ordered that the treasurer of this city do, on the Payment. Lord Mayors warrant, pay unto the petitioner, for the use of the Lord Mayor, five hundred pounds, sterling, in manner following, videlicet: two hundred and fifty pounds at Christmas next, and two hundred and fifty pounds more at Midsummer next, the same to be allowed the treasurer on account.

Abraham Jacob. [3.] Abraham Jacob, convert from the Jewish religion to the Christian faith, setting forth by petition that he Jews. has been a priest to the Jews for many years at fifty pounds per annum; that he quitted the same and imbraced the Christian faith; that he has published a Book. book shewing his reasons for so doing, and by reason of his old age, indisposition and poverty he is not able to Printer. pay the printer nor support himself, and humbly prays relief for his own support and family: ordered that the

Roll xix m. 46. treasurer do, on the Lord Mayors warrant, pay the petitioner fifteen pounds, to be allowed on account. 1716. Payment.

[4.] On the petition of Bartholomew Wybrants, shewing that he is obliged, as clerk to the commons, to keep a due registry of all the acts of assembly of this city for the use of the commons, and for which he usually had allowed him ten pounds per annum, but has received no such allowance for four years past, and prays consideration for past services: ordered that the treasurer pay the petitioner ten pounds, sterling, on the Lord Mayors warrant, to be allowed the treasurer on account. Wybrants, clerk to commons. Registry. Payment.

[5.] Charles Atkins, praying to be admitted an attorny of the Tholsel: granted during the citys pleasure. Atkins, attorney.

m. 46 A. [6.] John Jones and Charles Craven, Water bayliffs, pray to be continued in their imployments: granted during the citys pleasure. Water-bailiffs.

[7.] John Montgomery, officer at mace and commons, praying to continue his imployment: granted during the citys pleasure. Montgomery, officer at mace.

[8.] Christopher Rice, Edward Hodgson, John Lester, Richard Love, John Thomson, Greenwood Hannah, John Charters, John Gill and John Medcalfe, praying to continue their several imployments of sergeants at mace: granted during the citys pleasure. Sergeants at mace.

[9.] John Saunderson, keeper of Newgate, praying to continue his imployment: granted during the citys pleasure. Saunderson. Newgate.

[10.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that there is matter of moment to be transacted, which by reason of the shortness of time cannot well be finished, and therefore pray that the assembly be inlarged to nine o'clock: ordered that the assembly be inlarged to nine o'clock. Assembly. Time. Extension.

[11.] On petition of certain of the commons to last Midsummer assembly, praying a committee might be appointed to treat with persons for the better cleansing the streets, and carrying away the dirt out of the said streets of the city and suburbs of the city, a committee Cleansing streets. Committee.

1716. was appointed accordingly, who received several proposals and made the following report: Roll xix. m. 46 b.

Report. 'We, the committee appointed to treat with persons about the better cleansing the streets and carrying away the dirt, and to report our proceedings to this assembly,

Proposals. have accordingly proceeded and received several proposals, and upon the whole are of opinion that Edward

Allen. Pilkington. Allen and Thomas Pilkington, the present scavengers, are the most proper persons to be imployed in the said work, and that the said Edward Allen, for cleansing the

South side of Liffey. streets on the south side of the river Liffey, be paid the

Payment. sum of six hundred pounds, sterling, per annum, and that he be bound by articles such as Mr. Recorder shall advise to perform his agreement with the city, and among other articles that he shall cleanse the same as often as the Lord Mayor shall require him so to do, and, on neglect, the Lord Mayor to imploy carts, and to be paid out of his, the said Allens, salary; that the said Thomas

North side of Liffey. Pilkington be imployed to cleanse all the north side of the river Liffey at two hundred seventy-five pounds per annum, and that he be bound to perform by articles, with the like clauses, covenants and conditions as above: the above Allen and Pilkington to be continued for one year at the above salaries, which we submit to your honors this 20th of September, 1716.'

Whereupon it is ordered that the report be made an

Act of Assembly. act of this assembly, and that every alderman have power also, on neglect of said scavengers, to imploy carts to carry away the dirt, the said carts to be paid out of the said scavengers salary.

Cooke. [12.] On the petition of Daniel Cooke, gentleman,

Blind Quay. setting forth that the piece of ground on the Blind Key, whereon are three old houses formerly leased by the city

Proudfoot. of Dublin to Richard Proudfoot, is now by mesne assignment come to the petitioner, which lease being near expired and the aforesaid houses being very much out of repair, and ruinous and old, that he is desirous to

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become tenant to the city for the same after the expiration of the present lease, and prays a lease of the premises, which petition was referred to a committee, who made the following report: 1716. Committee.

'Pursuant to your honors order of the last assembly to us directed, we have viewed and surveyed the within premises, and do find that the same contain in front to the Blind Key seventy-two foot, fronting the river seventy-six foot, on the west end forty-eight foot, and on the east end forty-seven foot, and we are of opinion that the within petitioner have a lease of the said premises, he leaving out nine foot of the forty-eight in breadth backwards towards the key next the river Liffy, whenever he rebuilds the aforesaid premises, which will make the said key in all twenty-five foot broad, as may appear by the annexed survey, for the term of ninety and nine years, to commence from Michaelmas, 1722, being the expiration of the old lease, at the yearly rent of fifteen pounds four shillings, and capons to the Lord Mayor, the rent to be paid half yearly, at every Easter and every Michaelmas, to the treasurer for the citys use, and paying ten shillings on perfection of the lease for the use of the Poor House.' Report. Blind Quay. River. Survey. Poor house

Ordered that the petitioner have a lease of the premises within mentioned, pursuant the committees report, with such clauses as Mr. Recorder shall advise. Leases to be perfected next assembly.

[13.] Certain of the commons, having petitioned and set forth that the committee appointed to inspect into the hide markets, and to find out a proper place for selling hides, have made the following report, and pray the same may be made an act of assembly, videlicet: Hide-markets.

'Pursuant to your honours order of the last assembly to us directed, we, the committee appointed to inquire for convenient places for hide markets, are of opinion that where the potatoes are now frequently sold on the key near Ormonde Bridge will be a fit place for a hide market, and that it may be made in length and breadth Committee. Report. Potatoes. Ormonde Bridge.

1716. so large as can conveniently, to be inclosed by a wall of seven foot high next the street, and the wall next the river to be raised to the same height; that the market be flagged and a conveniency made to carry off the water, the slip to be made up, and that posts and rails with tenter hooks may be placed within the yard, in such manner as will contain the hides of the markets; that a pump be fixed in the yard, and doors and gates be placed therein. We have also examined Thomas street for a proper place to make a hide market, and find the most convenient place for that purpose is the back of the Glibb-water, and that rails and other necessarys be placed along the butchers stalls in the city side, from the sign of the Butchers Arms as far as shall be found necessary for hanging the hides, the care of the said hide markets to be committed to the charge of some proper persons; and, to defray the expence in making the said markets, and imploying men to attend them, that butchers and all owners of hides do pay one halfpenny per hide for lodging and selling the same in the said Markets, to be paid for the use of the city to the treasurer;' Roll xix. m. 45. m. 45 b.

Water. Thomas' street. Glibb. Butchers' arms. Payments.

Committee. Market. Ormonde Quay. Ordered that the said committee be continued, and that a hide market be built on Ormonde key, as mentioned in the said report, and that the said committee see the said work done.

Oates. Thomas. [14.] John Oates and Henry Thomas, having formerly petitioned that there has been appointed a standing committee for fire, to reward the petitioners and others serviceable in extinguishing fires in this city, therefore prayed the said committee might be revived, upon which a committee was appointed, who made the following report, videlicet:

Committee. Extinguishment of fires. Report. 'We, the standing committee appointed to reward such persons as shall be serviceable in extinguishing fire, do find that there are several buckets lost and wanting, as also other necessary materials. We are of opinion that what old buckets there are be immediately

Roll xix. m. 45 d. repaired, and that fifty new buckets be forthwith made, 1716. four shovels and two pickaxes:'

Ordered, according to the said report, and that the materials therein mentioned be bought by the treasurer, Materials. and the old buckets repaired, the expence thereof to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

[15.] The report of the directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 19th of October, 1716: Ballast Office.

'That we have made some progress in pileing below Ringsend with an engine made here, and do intend to continue that work so long as the season will permit:' Report. ordered that the committee do proceed.

'And we design to provide materials for pileing on the South Bull early the next spring; it being the opinion of several skilful men that we should go on with that part of the work first, in order, as well as we can, to preserve the ships that are most exposed to storms: Ships. ordered accordingly. South Bull.

'We find it difficult to be supplied with oak, which we hope to compass; the fir we can readily be supplied with, Fir. and at cheaper rates than the oak:' Ordered that the committee do provide timber as they shall think proper, and proceed. Oak.

'We are building a second float of about thirty tuns, the former not being sufficient for the office business, and are going on in laying kishes on the north side of the channel and backing them, in order to prevent the floods overflowing that way:' Ordered to proceed. Kishes.

'In our last we reported that we had sent to Holland for an engine to drive down the piles with, and for a man skilled in piling, etc.; in answer to which we have m. 44. an account that the engine is shipped and daily expected here, and that a man so skilled is not willing to come alone without a second, and must have six pounds per month wages and eight shillings per week board wages for himself; and five pounds per month wages and six shillings per week board wages for his second, as per Holland. Engine. Wages.

1716. Ballast Office. letter, which amounts to one hundred and sixty eight pounds eight shillings per year for them both :' Roll xix. m. 44.

Respite this paragraph as to the sending for the men till next assembly.

'We are of opinion that their demands are very high, and that one of them would be sufficient to direct our people here, and that next spring will be soon enough for his coming over, if we can get one to come :' respite this also.

'An abstract of the cash now in the office is hereunto annexed :

'All which is humbly submitted to your honors :

'Thomas Bolton.—Mathew Pearson.—Thomas Curtis.—Edward Surdeville.—John Porter.—Thomas Somerville.—William Empson.—Thomas Stringer.—William Aston.—Henry Glegg.—19th October, 1716.'

Ordered that alderman Porter and alderman Somerville be continued on the said committee as aldermen, and that the commons name four commoners :—James King, senior, William Maple, Perceval Hunt, Philip Cooley.

An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 19th of July, 1716, exclusive, to the 18th of October, 1716, inclusive :

Ballast Office.	Dr. £	s.	d.	Per contra.	Cr. £	s.	d.
To balance of accounts to the 9th of July, 1716, inclusive	49	11	3½	By sundry disbursements on the office accounts, from 19th July, 1716, exclusive, to 18th October, 1716, inclusive ...	1094	14	11
To Cash received from the 19th July, 1716, exclusive, to the 18th October, 1716, inclusive	1457	11	8	Expended towards carrying on the city wall, as per account	390	5	7½
Total	1507		11½	Total ...	£1485	0	6½
Deduct	1485	0	6½				
Balance in the office ...	22	2	5				
Besides in Messrs. Burtons and Harrisons hands, as per ccount	1600	5	5				
Total in cash ...	£1622	2	5				

Franchise. Admissions to franchise. m. 47.

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1716-17. January 18.—Fourth Friday after Christmas. 1716-17.

[1.] George Walton, city Marshal, having petitioned and set forth that the committee to whom the plan and estimate for building a marshalsea on the Merchants Keay were referred, had made the following report, and praying to have the same confirmed and made an act of assembly: 'Pursuant to your honours order of last assembly to us directed, we, the within committee, are of opinion that the plan hereunto annexed be the plan or ground plot for the building of a marshalsea on the Merchants Keay; that the work and buildings be carried on with all convenient speed, and that the said building, with all the materials that will be used therein, to be provided at the citys charge, and that Mr. Richard Mills do oversee the said work to be done accordingly:' ordered that the said report be made an act of assembly, and that the work be carried on with all convenient speed. Walton, City Marshal. Marshalsea. Report. Merchants' Quay. Richard Mills.

[2.] Auditors of the city accounts for the last year: Lord Mayor and Sherriffs, alderman Stoyte, sir John Rogerson, aldermen Quin, Burton, Barkey, Mathew Pearson, Quayle, Curtis, Surdeville, and eighteen of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any nine of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sherriffs to be always two, are appointed auditors of the city accounts for the last year: Auditors of City accounts.

[Eighteen of the commons:] Joseph Kane, William Dobson, Humphry French, William Aldrich, Thomas Stanford, William Maple, Henry Glegg, William Aston, James Somerville, Richard Walsh, John Reyson, John Wright, Robert Jackson, Christopher Inch, Vincent Kidder, Jeremiah Peppyat, Philip Cooley, Edward Dudgeon. Commons.

[3.] Alderman John Porter and Mr. John Tisdall, late Sherriffs, are appointed masters of the city works for the ensuing year. Sheriffs.

1716-17. City attorney.

[4.] John Thomson, gentleman, and attorney of his majesties court of kings bench, praying to be admitted a city attorney: granted during the citys pleasure. Roll xix. m. 50.

Cope, Dawson-street.

Thieves.

Proclamation.

[5.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that captain Copes house in Dawson Street having been several times attempted in a most outragious manner by thieves with fire-arms, as by examination given into the lords justices and council, who have been pleased to declare they shall be ready to issue a proclamation with a pardon and such reward as this honorable board shall think fit to offer on that account, and praying that this assembly would take the same into consideration, that a violence so uncommon and impudent in this great city be not suffered to pass without due regard, but that such reward may be offered as in all probability may discover the actors of this particular villainy, and prove a terror to all who shall be so audacious to attempt the like disturbances for the future: it is thereupon ordered that the Lord Mayor and Sherriffs do wait on the Government and acquaint them that the city will give twenty pounds reward to any person that shall discover the persons that attempted to rob captain Copes house [named] in the within petition, so that such persons be convict of the said fact, which twenty pounds is ordered to be paid by the treasurer, on the Lord Mayors warrant, to the discoverer, on conviction of the offenders, and the same to be allowed him on his accounts. m. 50 b.

Reward.

Peppyat.

Report.

City printer.

[6.] On the petition of Jeremiah Peppyat, setting forth that the committee to whom the contents of his petition were referred have made the following report in relation to the settling of prices and rates on such work as he does for the use of the city, as he is city printer, and prays the same may be made an act of this assembly: 'Pursuant to your honours order of the last assembly to us directed, we, the committee appointed to

Roll xix. m. 50 b.

inspect into the contents of Mr. Peppyat, city stationer and printers petition, have viewed his account, which is hereunto annexed, and are of opinion that he be paid in full of the said account, thirty four pounds, four shillings and seven pence, sterling. We have also considered of the prices that he may reasonably charge for the future for such work as he shall do for the citys use, which are as follows :— 1716-17. Stationer.

	£	s.	d.
'For every hundred assize of bread, being the number to be printed at one time	„	10	„
'For every hundred proclamations for regulating pavements, being two sheets	1	5	„
'For every hundred proclamations for regulating watches, being two sheets	1	5	„
'For every hundred proclamations for keeping the Sabbath, one sheet ...	„	12	6
'For every hundred proclamations relating to carrs, carts, etc., one sheet ...	„	12	6
'For every hundred proclamations relating to beggars, one sheet ...	„	12	6
'For every hundred proclamations for May day, one sheet	„	12	6
'For every hundred advertisements relating to scavengers, folio	„	4	„
'For every hundred advertisements relating to scavengers, quarto ...	„	2	„
'For every thousand pipe water receipts	„	15	„
'For every hundred orders of committee for pipe water	„	6	3
'For every hundred presentments of grand jury	„	12	6
'For every hundred warrants on ditto ...	„	6	3
'Where there are but 50 proclamations printed and one sheet to be allowed for each proclamation	„	„	2

Prices.

1716-17. It is thereupon ordered that the report be confirmed, and that the treasurer do pay to the petitioner the money that is in the within report mentioned, the same to be allowed him in his accounts. Roll xix. m. 50 *b*. m. 49.

Samuel John. [7.] On the petition of Samuel John, setting forth that he is the only surviving son of Mr. Isaac John, late Goldsmith. of the city of Dublin, goldsmith, who had the honour to serve in the office of one of the Sherriffs of this city, who by will bequeathed twenty pounds to the Blue Blue boys' Hospital. boys Hospital; that by misfortunes of his own and others he has been for a long time in confinement for debt till lately released by the act for the relief of insolvent debtors, and therefore prays the citys charity: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayors warrant, do pay the within petitioner six pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed him on his accounts.

Joseph Harper. [8.] On the petition of Joseph Harper, setting forth that he has attended this honorable city in the place and Mathews. imployment of Conn Mathews, ever since his misfortune, and therefore prays the citys consideration for such his services: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayors warrant, do pay the above petitioner ten pounds, sterling, to be allowed the same on account.

[9.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the Assembly. assembly: ordered that the assembly be enlarged till Time. nine o'clock.

Taylor. [10.] On the petition of Elizabeth Taylor, widow, praying to be admitted one of the city widows in the room of her mother, Catherine Cosgrave, deceased: ordered that the petitioner be admitted one of the city Poor widows. poor widows at the usual allowance during the citys pleasure.

Peppard, Town Clerk. [11] Jacob Peppard, esquire, town clerk, setting forth that he pays one hundred pound per annum for the Tholsell office, and since July, 1703, hath paid eight Rent of office. hundred and fifty pounds rent of said office, which sum,

Roll xix. m. 49. with the abatement of one hundred and fifty pounds, 1716-17. the city was pleased to allow the petitioner for his trouble and loss on two former acts of parliament for discharging insolvent debtors without fees, and with the Debtors. Fees. like allowance of one hundred and fifty pounds, sterling, for the time the said office was shut up by reason of the late distractions in the city, clears all the rents payable Distractions in Dublin. out of the said office to the city, excepting two years ending January instant; that in order wholly to apply himself to the business of this city he quitted his other offices and business, and for his zeal in the citys service during the late unhappy contest he underwent many Contest. personal indignities and great disquiet of mind, having many severe orders sent him by those men in power to terrifie the petitioner from his faithful discharge of his duty to the city; that the petitioner, during the year and a halfes unhappy dispute in the city, was deprived Dispute in City. of all gain and profit by his said office, and for so long lost his usual subsistence and has had no allowance or consideration from this honourable city for himself and two clerks, who during the said dispute were constantly Clerks. imployed and paid an uncommon attendance on that occasion: that the petitioner has lately discharged many prisoners on the last act of grace without fee or reward, Prisoners. which lessens much the profits of the said office, and therefore prayed that his case may be taken into consideration, and such abatement and allowance made as the honorable assembly shall think fit: it is thereupon ordered that the within petitioner be remitted the two Remission. years rent due by him to the city for the Tholsell office, Tholsel. and that he apply no more for himselfe or his clerks.

m. 49 b. [12.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 18th of Ballast Office. January, 1716[17]:

'That we have continued pileing below Rings end as Report. Ringsend. long as the seas would permit, and have finished some

1716-17. small part of what was designed to be piled, and hope in time it may answer the ends proposed by it:' ordered to proceed. Roll xix. m. 49 b.

'That we intend next spring, if your honours think fit, to go on with the pileing on the South Bull, according to our last report; we have some oak timber by us towards carrying on the said work, fit for the second, third and fourth row of the said piles, but shall want for the first row, which must be oak, and a longer length than what we already have:' ordered to proceed.

South Bull.

Piles.

Float. 'The second float, mentioned in our last to be then building, is now finished and at work.

Kishes. 'We have carried the kishes as far westward on the north side of the river as we designed them, and likewise as high at that end, being three rows, and have filled them with stones, and are now backing them, and do design to continue laying kishes to the same height eastward on the said river side:' ordered to proceed.

Stones.

Engine. Holland. 'The engine from Holland, mentioned in our last, we have received and tried, and do find it much more chargeable in working than was expected, neither is it capable of driving piles of a length sufficient for Cock lake and the said South Bull; but there is one Wilks, a smith, who proposes to make an engine which he says will drive the longest pile which the office will have occasion to drive, with half the number of hands which the Dutch engine requires and with more expedition, of which they have made a model which has been seen by my Lord Mayor and others, and several of them do approve of it; but the price demanded for it being fifty pounds, sterling, we would not order the building or making of it without your honours approbation thereof and directions therein:' ordered that the engine be made as the committee shall direct.

Cock Lake.

Wilks.

Lord Mayor.

Price.

'We having seen the working of the engine from Holland, and being pretty well acquainted with the

Roll xix. m. 49 b. engine that is offered to be made, we are of opinion 1716-17. that our workmen here are capable of driving the piles Dublin workmen. without assistance from Holland.

'We have neither kishes nor hurdles by us to go on Kishes. Hurdles. with the said works, so that the charge of furnishing them and the long timber for the said piles, the great Piles. quantity of stones both for the said piles and filling the said kishes, together with backing them, and the other great expences of the said office the next summer, Expenses will far surmount the produce of the same, and the most part of the fund of cash which we had beforehand being already laid out, as may appear by the office accounts and abstract of the office cash, we fear we shall not be able for want of cash to go on with the said m. 48. work next summer unless the city will please to assist us, which we hope they will do, and that the rather because the said office has, by their directions and for their use expended on the city wall on the north side City wall. of Lazy Hill £693 16s. 1d., sterling, of the said office Lazy Hill. cash, as may appear by vouchers and certificates:' ordered to go on with the work as money comes in.

'We do humbly conceive that if the cash book of the Cash book. Ballast Office was closed at the making the report to be delivered to the assembly, it would be much easier from time to time to examine the said cash book than it is at present, which is closed every quarter, ending the 1st May, August, November and February, yearly:' ordered that this be referred to the committee.

'An abstract of the cash now in the office is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to this honorable assembly: Mathew Pearson.—Thomas Curtis.—John Porter.—Thomas Somervelle.—William Empson.—Peter Verdon.—Philip Cooley.—William Aston.—William Maple.—Thomas Stringer.—Percivall Hunt.—Henry Clegg.—James King.'

1716-17. An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 18th of October, 1716, exclusive, to the 17th of January, 1716[-17], inclusive: Roll xix. m. 48.

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per Contra, Cr.	£	s.	d.
To balance of account to 18th October, 1716, inclusive ...	22	2	5	By cash paid sundry disbursements, from 18th of October, 1716, exclusive, to the 17th January, 1716[-17], inclusive	1103	18	7½
To cash received from ships, etc., from the 18th October, 1716, exclusive, to 17th January, 1716[-17], inclusive	535	2	1	By cash disbursed for the city, from 18th October, 1716, to the 17th January, 1716[-17], inclusive	341	1	11
To cash received from Messrs. Burton and Harrison ...	900	0	0				
Total	1457	4	6	Total	£1445	0	6½
Deduct	1445	0	6½				
Balance in the Office ...	12	3	11½				
Besides in Messrs. Burton and Harrisons hands ...	700	0	0				
Total in cash ...	712	3	11½				
Due to sundry persons from the Office	212	6	10½				
Remains	£499	17	1½				

Franchise. Admissions to franchise. m. 51.

1717. 1717. April 5. m. 53.

[1.] Certain of the commons having set forth that
Lots. the committee for taking in and setting out in lots and surveying the Strand between Mabbotts mills and the sheds of Clantarffe, have made the following report:

Report. 'Pursuant to the order of last assembly, we, the com-
Survey. Strand. Ballybough. Clontarf. mittee, have surveyed the Strand, and are of opinion that the Strand on the north side of Ballybough river, from the highest ground on the north end of Clantarffe Island to the next angle on the west side of Clantarffe house, on the road, containing seventy seven acres, be divided with the Strand on the south side of Ballybough
Acres. river, containing in all four hundred forty one acres; that Ballybough river be carried on the south end of Clantarffe island in a straight line from the first angle on the east

Roll xix. m. 53. side of Ballybough Bridge in a new canal, the same canal to be eighty foot wide; that the front lots of the channel be divided into eighty eight lots, and the lots to the rear into forty four lots, which make one hundred thirty two lots, and that all the rest of the ground be divided into one hundred thirty four lots, two whereof to be reserved to the city, videlicet, number seventy seven, number ninety two, videlicet, seventy seven on the south side and ninety two on the north side of the canal, for such public use as shall be thought necessary; that that part of the Strand undivided be reserved in common for raising of stones, for carrying on the whole work and improving the same, and accordingly there is a map drawn, which is hereunto annexed; the meares and bounds of the Strand mentioned in Mr. Amorys lease are described in the map hereunto annexed; that each person whose name is in a list hereunto annexed have two lots. For the better and more effectual carrying on of the said work, we, the committee, are of opinion that a committee of directors be chosen, consisting of four aldermen and eight commons, adding thereto the Lord Mayor and Sherriffs for the time being, the aldermen to be chosen by the Mayor and aldermen that are proprietors, and the commons to be chosen by their respective classes of proprietors:

1717. Report: Strand. Lots. Reservation. Stones. Map. Amory. Committee of Directors.

'[i.] That five be a quorum, of which the Lord Mayor, one Sheriff, one alderman and two of the commons that are proprietors be present; that the said committee of directors be invested with full power of contracting with workmen, to buy materials, and for carrying on the said work.

m. 53 b. '[ii.] That any of the said committee may, by the majority of votes by his proper class, be removed, and another chosen in his place, and likewise, on the death of any of the said committee, the said proprietors in like manner to make choice of another in his place from time to time.

1717. Report: Strand.

'[iii.] That every quarter the committee do lay before the body of proprietors their proceedings, which body shall consist of twenty one proprietors at least. Roll xix. m. 53 b.

'[iv.] That every person intituled to draw the said lots do, before the said lots are drawn, give their note for five pounds, sterling, value received, to such person as shall be appointed treasurer by the assembly to take the same, and the money to be applied towards fencing out the sea and carrying on the work, and so to be mentioned in the said note.

'[v.] That any person refusing, or on his behalf a sufficient person neglecting, to give such note, he shall not be intituled to draw any lot.

'[vi.] That every proprietor shall perfect his deed in three months after the said lots are drawn, or his grant to be void, and the five pounds to be lost to him, but applied to the publick work.

'[vii.] That a wall shall be built to keep out the sea; that the canal be made and walled in.

'[viii]. That the whole ground fronting to the channel containing the 132 lots be taken in at the publick charge, and likewise all the streets in the said 132 lots be walled foundation high, and filled up at the publick charge, and also a key, to be continued, from the north east corner of the 132 lots to Clantarfe Island, and from thence to the shore on the angle on the west of Clantarfe house, be built at publick charge.

'[ix.] That there be a clause in every deed that the proprietors shall pay quarterly till all aforesaid work be finished, two pounds ten shillings per quarter, the first payment to be made next Michaelmas.

'[x.] That a fee farm be granted to each proprietor at a pepper corn per annum, if demanded.

'[xi]. That the fees of the city seal be remitted. Mr. Recorder and the Town Clerk are willing to remit their fees; and nothing to be paid but to the clerk for ingrossing.

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'[xii.] That the committee of directors, or the quorum at least, have power to draw from time to time out of the treasurers hands what sums they shall think fit for carrying on the work. 1717. Report Strand

'[xiii.] That this committee be continued, or a new one appointed, to see what is further to be done, and report their proceedings to the next assembly.

'[xiv.] That there be inserted in the fee farm deed such other clauses as the Recorder and such other council as he shall think fit to advise with [*sic*]. Deed.

'[xv.] That the road or strand leading from the Abbotts wall towards Ballybough Bridge, from thence to Clantarfe, be all eighty foot wide, and that the key fronting the channel and also the key continued to Clantarfe Island, and from thence to the angle on the road to the west of Clantarfe house, be all sixty foot wide. Road. Clontarf. Quay

m. 52.

'[xvi.] That the streets, videlicet, the middle street, back street and all the cross streets, as described in the map containing the eighty eighth and forty fourth lots, be all fifty foot wide, and that the three roads running through the other lots all to be left two perch wide: Streets. Lots. Width.

'All which is humbly submitted to the honorable assembly, this 20th March, 1717:'

Ordered that the annexed report with the following amendments be confirmed, videlicet: Amendments:

That the canal be eighty foot wide at the west end of the canal, and to be enlarged from thence so that the mouth of the canal in the east be 120 foot, the enlargement to be taken out of the lots equally of each side of the canal. Canal.

That if the Lord Mayor and Sherriffs be not proprietors, then any five of the committee of directors be a quorum. Lord Mayor. Sheriffs.

That if any proprietor shall fail to take out his deed in the time appointed by this report, the committee of directors may give further time to perfect such deed Proprietors. Deeds.

1717. Strand. not exceeding three months further time than appointed by the said report. Roll xix. m. 52.

Committee. That the within committee be continued to consider further, and report to the next assembly what is proper to be done.

Holly-brook. That the little brook near Hollybrook be conveyed into the sea at public charge.

Coggin. That Mr. Coggin, one of the numbers in the place of

Rea. Adam Rea, deceased, have Reas lot.

Nicholson. That John Nicholson, dyer, being dead, be left out of the list of proprietors.

Accounts. That the committee of directors do account quarterly, and swear to their accounts once a year.

Payment. That the note to be given for the five pounds mentioned in the within report, be made payable within fifteen days after the giving the same.

Burton. That alderman Burton be appointed treasurer, and

Jones. Mr. Lewis Jones, clerk; that Friday in Easter week be

Drawing lots. appointed for signing the notes and drawing the lots, and the said committee that is now continued take care that notes be given and the lots drawn in such manner as they shall think proper.

1717. April 26.—Post assembly. m. 52 *b*.

Lot. Upon the petition of certain of the commons, setting forth that there is a vacant lot left for one of the

Sheermen. Dyers. numbers of the corporation of sheermen and dyers, on the death of John Nicholson, and that the said lot is to be disposed of: it is ordered that Mr. Robert Bull have a lot according to the condition of the former act of assembly.

1717. May 3.—Second Friday after Easter.[1] m. 56.

[1.] Daniel Cooke, clerk to the right honorable the Lord Mayor, setting forth that his Lordship, Thomas

[1] Easter day, 21 April, 1717.

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Bolton, esquire, came into the Mayoralty sooner than he expected, and thereby obliged to neglect his own private affairs; that the prices of provisions are advanced, and that a lord lieutenant is expected and a parliament to meet, by which the expence of the Mayoralty must be greater than otherwise it would be, and therefore prays an augmentation for his Lordships use: ordered that the treasurer of the city do pay to the petitioner, on the Lord Mayors warrant, for his Lordships use, four hundred pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. 1717. Mayoralty. Prices. Parliament. Grant.

[2.] Jacob Peppard, esquire, town clerk, setting forth that the present Sherriffs, William Empson and David King, esquires, unexpectedly entered on the office of Sheriffs, and their time wholly taken up in discharge thereof, and that the income wont bear half the expence, and therefore pray consideration: ordered that the treasurer do pay the petitioner for the use of the Sherriffs, on the Lord Mayors warrant, two hundred pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed on his accounts. Empson, King, Sheriffs. Grant.

[3.] William Parry, setting forth by his petition at a former assembly that in the year 1700 he obtained a lease in reversion from the city of a tenement and two back houses in Cooke street for a term of years commencing 1717; that about two years ago one Butler, who was possessed of both the said back houses, knowing his time was to determine at the commencement of the petitioners said lease in reversion, pulled down the said two houses and carried away the materials, of which the petitioner gave early notice to the treasurer of this honorable city, who went and forbid the same, the petitioner having no right to the said two houses till his aforesaid lease in reversion commenced, and therefore could not in his own name or right any ways interrupt the waste so committed by the said Butler, he not deriving under the petitioner; that by reason of said waste the premises are much less in value than even the Parry. Cooke street. Houses. Waste.

1717. said original reserved rent of ten pounds, sterling; that Roll xix. m. 56. the petitioner has been much reduced in his fortune by
Losses. losses at sea in the late war, besides several losses and discouragements which he sustained in the late times by
Protestant succession. his known zeal for the Protestant succession, and his voting and appearing in the interest of the city, and he is not able to rebuild the said two back houses; in tender consideration of the premises and the citys own right only to sue for the said waste, and in regard the antient reserved rent was but ten pounds, that the petitioner being no way accessory or liable to the said waste, and paid ten pounds as a fine for his lease in reversion and advanced five pounds per annum rent in expectation of enjoying the whole three houses, whereas m. 56 b. he has now but the old house left to enter upon at the advance rent, besides the loss of his fine since 1700; therefore prays to take his case into consideration so far as to grant him such relief therein as this honourable city shall think fit: whereupon the same was referred
Report. to a committee, who have made the following report:

'Pursuant to your honours order of last assembly to us directed, we, the above committee, have viewed the within premises, and find that there have been great wastes committed on the same to the prejudice of the petitioner; that Mr. Butler, who made the said waste, is no ways ingaged by articles to repair the premises, nor able to make compensation: we are therefore of opinion, in regard to the petitioners loss, that five pounds per
Remission. annum be remitted him out of the yearly rent of fifteen pounds, which he is obliged by lease to pay the city, which we submit to your honours this 22nd of February, 1716:'

Whereupon it was ordered that the said report be confirmed and made an act of assembly.

Jennins. Noyce. [4.] On the petition of Elizabeth Jennins, alias Noyce, setting forth that her husband was a freeman and served Sheriffe in this city, and that she is much reduced from

Roll xix. m. 56 b. a flourishing condition by sickness and old age, and 1717. therefore prays relief: ordered that the treasurer, on the Grant. Lord Mayors warrant, do pay the petitioner six pounds, the same to be allowed on his accounts, and that she petitioned no more.

[5.] George Sergant, shoemaker, having petitioned Sergant and prayed to be admitted into the place and imployment of Conn Mathews, deceased, late regulator of the Mathews. corn and meale markets of this city: ordered that the Corn. Meal. petitioner do serve in the room of Conn Mathews, Markets. deceased, to have the usual salary and perquisites dureing the citys pleasure.

[6.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly: ordered that the assembly be enlarged to Assembly. nine o'clock.

[7.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 3rd of Ballast Office. May, 1717:

'That the weather has been so bad that we have not Report. been able to go on with piling or any other of our works, and likewise the produce of the Office has not been sufficient to carry on any work this winter, as doth appear by the annexed abstract of the cash, but we design to carry on the works as money shall come in, the season of the year now permitting:' Ordered to proceed.

'That we have agreed with Mr. Shrigley for a number Shrigley. of kishes, and expect them daily, and desire to know Kishes. whether we may proceed in buying any more kishes:' Ordered to buy more if occasion.

'That the new engine is not finished; the maker has Engine. promised to have it speedily finished, but his promises have been so ill performed for the time past, that there is no depending on him; therefore we desire to be advised by your honours what course shall be taken to make him perform his contract:' Ordered that the committee do as they shall think fit.

m. 55. 'That we design to go on with the old engine in

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driving the short piles on the South Bull as money comes in:' Ordered to proceed. Roll xix. m. 55.

Sir John Rogerson.

'That there is a dispute between sir John Rogerson and the office about sand which was delivered according to an agreement made with your honours, a copy of which agreement and your honours order thereupon is hereunto annexed, together with sir Johns account and answer.

'An abstract of the cash now in the Office is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to this honorable assembly:

'Mathew Pearson.—Thomas Curtis.—Edward Surdeville.—John Porter.—Thomas Somervelle.—William Empson.—Henry Glegg.—Phillip Cooley.—William Aston.—Joseph Kane.—James King.—William Maple.'

An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 17th day of January, 1716[-17], exclusive, to the 2nd day of May, 1717, inclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.
To balance of the accounts to the 17th January, 1716[-17,] inclusive	12	11	7½
To cash received from ships, etc., from 17th January, exclusive, to 2nd May, 1717, inclusive ..	385	13	11
To cash received from Messrs. Burton and Harrison ..	150	0	0
Total	£748	5	6½
In Messrs. Burton and Harrisons hands	550	0	0
Deduct the balance on the other side	44	6	0½
Balance in cash ..	£505	13	11½

Per contra.	Cr. £	s.	d.
By sundry disbursements on the Office account, from the 17th January, 1716[-17], exclusive, to the 2nd May, 1717, inclusive	752	11	7
By money paid towards making the new engine	40	0	0
Total	792	11	7
Deduct	748	5	6½
Balance ..	£44	6	0½

Sir John Rogerson to the Ballast Office, Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To 390 tun of fine sand at six pence per tun	9	15	0
To 12,000 tun of sand to his wall at three pence per tun	150	0	0
Total	159	15	0
Of which received ..	50	0	0
Remains due ..	£109	15	0

Roll xix. m. 55. 'To sir John Rogerson, knight:—March the 20th, 1716[-17.]: 1717. Ballast Office.

'Sir,—The Office having earnest occasion for money, we desire you would be pleased to pay the above balance of one hundred and nine pounds fifteen shillings to Thomas Pearson, esquire, or order, and you will oblige your humble servants,—Mathew Pearson.—Henry Glegg.—James King.—Thomas Stringer.—William Maple.—Phillip Cooley.' Letter to Sir. John Rogerson.

'Sir John Rogersons answer to the Ballast master, March 22, 1716[-17]:

'That he has kept an account between him and the Office, and that he has as much to defalk from them as they now charge him with; that the Office has not pursued their agreement with him, for that he was to have gabbards to attend his work at certain times with ballast for filling, which not being observed he has suffered extremely for want of them, and through their default he has had more earth wasted away by the floods than what he stands charged with by the Office, and that as soon as he has leisure to look into the account, if any balance is due he will pay it.' Letter from Sir John Rogerson. m. 55 b.

'Sir John Rogerson having informed us that he designs very speedily to take in the Strand between Lazy Hill and Ringsend, which we humbly conceive will not only be an advantage to trade, but will also contribute very much to the mending our new channel; therefore he desires to be furnished by the Ballast Office with gravel or sand dredged out of the channel by their gabbardmen (when they have no business in supplying of shipping or any other matter relating to the good of the Office), he paying so much a tun for the mens labour and reasonable wear and tear; and are of opinion that three pence per tun may be sufficient for the same to be delivered at his wall or keay, he finding hands to throw the said ballast out of the gabbards, and not to delay them longer than Strand. Lazy Hill. Ringsend. Labour. Rate. Quay.

1717. Ballast Office. a proper time for throwing out such ballast. We must likewise acquaint you that sir John being obliged by his lease to leave as much Strand as shall be thought Channel. proper for enlarging the channel to the southward, your honors will think fit to appoint a committee to see the said Strand staked out between the anchorsmiths shop and Ringsend point: which is humbly submitted to your honors.' Roll xix. m. 55 b.

[8.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that it has been customary to present the new Government with the Franchise. Gold box. freedom of the city in a gold box, that in regard of the great zeal and fast friendship of the right honorable the Brodrick. lord Brodrick,[1] lord high chancellor of Ireland, now one of the lords justices of this kingdom, shewn to the city Troubles. interest on the late troubles in this city by his many services and advice on all occasions, and appearing on Fees. hearings and consultations without fees, as also when Speaker. Speaker in the house of commons, as a mark of the citys gratitude, notwithstanding his former freedom, he should have the same certified in a gold box, and therefore pray the same be certified accordingly: ordered that his excellency the lord high chancellor of Ireland, one of the lords justices, have his freedom certified under the city seal in a gold box not exceeding thirty pounds.

[9.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that it has been customary to present the new Government of this kingdom with the freedom of this city in a gold box, that in regard of the great zeal and friendship of his William Conolly, lord justice. excellency William Conolly,[2] esquire, one of the lords justices of this kingdom, shewn in the house of commons and else where on all occasions in favour of this city in the late troubles, that as a mark of the citys gratitude, acknowledgment thereof, notwithstanding his former Franchise. freedom, he should have the same certified in a gold box, and therefore pray the same be certified accordingly:

[1] Alan Brodrick, created viscount Midleton in 1717.

[2] Speaker of House of Commons, Dublin, 1715.

Roll xix. m. 55 b. ordered that his excellency William Conolly, esquire, 1717. one of the lords justices of Ireland, have his freedom certified under the city seal in a gold box not exceeding thirty pounds.

m. 54. [10.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee appointed for regulating the tolls and customs had made the following report, and prayed to make the same an act of assembly, and to continue the committee or appoint a new one, which report is as followeth : Tolls and customs.

'Pursuant to your honors order of the last assembly to us directed, we, the committee appointed to inspect into the city tolls and customs, have made further inquiry into the same, and have ordered Mr. Peppard to lay the charter of the three penny customs and the act of parliament before Mr. Recorder, to have his opinion in writing thereon as to the citys right in receiving the said three penny customs, which by reason of the shortness of time we have not as yet received, and therefore think it proper that the said committee be continued or a new one appointed; we have likewise made some further inquiry into the petty customs, but have not brought the same to a conclusion; there is a new toll house built at Stephens Green, and some other toll houses are repaired: which we submit to your honours this 29th April, 1717 :' Report. Three-penny customs. Petty customs.

Ordered that the report be confirmed and the committee continued.

[11.] Alderman Anthony Barkey is elected Lord Mayor for the ensuing year, commencing from Michaelmas next. Lord Mayor.

[12.] Mr. John Reyson and Mr. Vincent Kidder are elected Sherriffs for the ensuing year, commencing from Michaelmas next. Sheriffs.

m. 57. Admissions to franchise. Franchise.

m. 59. 1717. July 19.—Fourth Friday after 24 June.

[1.] Richard Love, officer at mace, having petitioned to surrender his imployment: ordered that he be discharged. Officer at mace.

1717. William Leech. [2.] William Leech having petitioned for said imploy- Roll xix. m. 59. ment: ordered that William Leech be admitted officer at mace in the room of Richard Love during citys pleasure, and giving bonds to indempnifie the city.

City adjutants. Militia. [3.] Richard West, Rowland Parker, Gilbert Kelly and Mathew Bowen, city adjutants, praying consideration for their services and time spent in exercising the militia: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayors warrant, Payment. do pay them twenty pounds, sterling, five pounds each to be allowed on account.

Colcott. [4.] John Colcott, setting forth that by act of assembly in the Mayoralty of sir Michael Mitchell, John Morrison, Newgate. then keeper of Newgate, was obliged to pay him ten pounds per annum during the said Colcotts life, and paid the same till the said Morrison died, and after his death Saunderson. John Saunderson, present keeper of Newgate, agreed to pay the petitioner the same before he was admitted into the said imploy, and paid the same, and prays that Saundersons successor may be obliged to pay the said Payments. annuity as formerly: ordered that the petitioner be paid ten pounds per annum by half yearly payments by the gaoler of Newgate.

Desmynieres. [5.] Peter Desmynieres, son to Peter Desmynieres, who served Lord Mayor,[1] praying relief, having wife and children: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Grant. Mayors warrant, do pay the petitioner six pounds, sterling, per annum, half yearly, to commence from Easter last, the same to continue during the citys pleasure, or till he is otherwise provided for.

Ord, mace-bearer. [6.] Samuel Ord, mace bearer, praying consideration for the loss of perquisites which his predecessors had: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayors warrant, do pay the petitioner ten pounds, sterling, the same to

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[1] John Desmynieres was Lord Mayor of Dublin, 1666-7. Lewis Desmynieres held that office in 1669-70. *See* vol. iv., pp. 387, 473.

Roll xix. m. 59. be allowed on his accounts, and that the petitioner apply no more. 1717.

[7.] Jane Brooks, widow of John Brooks, late peruke maker, and one of the numbers of this city, praying relief for two children her late husband had by a former wife: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayors warrant, do pay six pounds, sterling, for putting out the said two children to trades as he shall think fit, to be allowed the same on his accounts. Brooks. Grant.

m. 59 b. [8.] Joseph Falkiner, praying the citys charity, being reduced: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayors warrant, do pay to the petitioner six pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed him on his accounts. Falkiner. Grant.

[9.] Certain of the commons, praying to inlarge the assembly: ordered that the assembly be inlarged till nine a clock. Assembly.

[10.] Robert King, gentleman, praying to be admitted city attorney: ordered that he be admitted during citys pleasure. King, attorney.

[11.] The committee of directors for the proprietors of the North Strand, praying further time to prepare a draught of the fee farm deed: ordered that the time be inlarged to the next assembly. Directors for North Strand. Deed.

[12.] William Oakly having formerly petitioned and set forth that the petitioner is tenant to the city for a house situate at the Old Bridge foot, built on one of the arches of the said Bridge, which house is very much out of repair and untenantable in the winter time, occasioned by danke coldes that arise through the floor of the same; that he is willing to rebuild the said house provided he could obtain a lease and leave to enlarge the said house frontwards as far as the arch runs, which he humbly proposes to do without interrupting the water course, praying the same to be taken into consideration, which petition was referred to a committee, who made the following report: Oakly. Old Bridge foot. Arch. House.

1717. Report. 'Pursuant to your honors order of the last assembly to us directed, we have viewed and surveyed the within premises, and are of opinion that the petitioner have a lease of the same, together with an addition on the north side thereof to the first pier of the Old Bridge, containing in front thereof seventeen feet, and in depth eastward, to the extent of the said house, twenty one foot; that he do not obstruct the passage of the water through the arch; that he pay twelve pounds, sterling, per annum for the term of ninety nine years, payable half yearly on every Easter and every Michaelmas, capons to the Lord Mayor, and ten shillings, on the perfection of the leases, to the Poor house, for the use of the poor; a map of the old tenement together with the new addition is hereunto annexed: Thomas Bolton, William Empson, David King, William Quayle, Francis Armsteed:' Roll xix. m. 59 b.

Pier. Old Bridge.

Ordered that the petitioner have a lease pursuant to the committees report; leases to be drawn as Mr. Recorder shall advise, and the rent of twelve pounds do commence from Michaelmas next, the petitioner paying and discharging his present rent to that time.

[13.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 19th of July, 1717:

Ballast Office.

Report. 'That we have since our last report laid and filled with stones on the north side of the channel 258 kishes, and are laying more:' Ordered to proceed.—Allowed.

South Bull. Piles. 'That we have drove on the South Bull above three hundred piles with the old engine, in three rows, and are filling between them with stones and hurdles:' Ordered to proceed.—Allowed.

'The new engine is now finished, and we hope to have it at work next week; if so, we design it to drive the long piles, and the old one the short piles, by which means the work on the South Bull will go on with better m. 58

Engines.

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speed than it has done, if money comes in fast enough to keep them at work:' Ordered to proceed.—Allowed. 1717.

'We do find that of twenty seven gabbards and four wherries, which are said to belong to Mr. John Mercer, and do not pay their dues to the Office, Mr. Thomas Holt, one of the Office surveyors, has an interest in, and part of, sixteen of the said gabbards and three of the said wherries, and are of opinion that the said Mr. Holt ought to pay the Office for them:' Ordered that Mr. Holt pay the whole where he is a partner.—Allowed. Gabbards. Wherries. Mercer. Holt.

'There are other owners of gabbards, etc., that are come-atable who refuse to pay the office dues, whom we have ordered to be prosecuted before my Lord Mayor, according to the act of parliament:' Ordered to proceed. —Allowed. Office dues.

'We have agreed with one Mr. Caldwell, a merchant, for two hundred tun of oak timber, fit for piles, at two pounds thirteen shillings per tun, to be deliverered by fifty tun at a time, the first fifty this month, and the last in December, next:' granted.—Allowed. Caldwell. Oak timber. Piles. Price.

'On a malicious report being spread by some people that the Ballast Office had occasioned the bar to rise much higher than it formerly was, we caused the same to be sounded, and do find that the said report is not only false and groundless, but that the bar, by keeping the channel clear and suffering the water to have a full current against it, is much lower than it formerly was, as may appear by the annexed chart:' Ordered that the directors of the Ballast Office do publish the same: — Allowed. Dublin bar. Sounding. Chart.

'An abstract of the cash now in the Office is hereunto annexed: all which is humbly submitted to this honorable assembly:

'Mathew Pearson.—Thomas Curtis.—Thomas Somervelle. — Joseph Kane. — William Empson. — William Aston.—James King.—William Maple.—Philip Cooley.'

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An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts, from the 4th day of May, 1717, exclusive, to the 18th of July, 1717, inclusive: Roll xix. m. 58.

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cr.	£	s.	d.
To cash received from ships, etc., from 2nd May, 1717, exclusive, to the 18th July, 1717, inclusive	735	4	0	By balance of the accounts to the 2nd May, 1717, inclusive ..	44	6	0½
Deduct	550	6	9½	By sundry disbursements on the Office account, from the 4th May, 1717, exclusive, to the 18th July, 1717, inclusive ..	506	0	9
Balance in the Office	184	17	2½	Total ..	£550	6	9½
Besides in Messrs. Burton and Harrisons hands	550	0	0				
Total in cash ..	£734	17	2½				

N.B.—That there are several debts due and growing due from the Office, which when paid will sink a considerable part of the above cash.

Franchise.

Admissions to franchise. m. 60.

1717. September 21.—Post assembly. m. 61.

Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee to whom the inspection of the management of the city lights were referred, have made the following report, and prayed the same might be made an act of assembly, which report is as followeth:

City lighting. Committee. Report

'Pursuant to your honours order of last assembly to us directed, we, the committee appointed to inspect into the management of the city lights, have accordingly met, and think it proper that there should be lights placed on the dead walls at the same distance as in the streets, and lights fixed on the four bridges, videlicet, Essex Bridge, Ormonde Bridge, the Old Bridge and Elliss' Bridge, one in the middle and one at each end of every bridge, to continue burning all night, all the lamps to be of the same white glass mentioned in the present act, the lamps to be lighted at five o'clock in the evening, and to continue burning till one of the clock next morning; that a penalty be laid on those who shall break the said lights, or carry away the lanthorns or the

Management. Walls. Bridges. Hours. Lanterns.

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irons which hold the same, and upon those who shall hinder the lamp men from lighting the said lamps; that the present light man do deliver up all the lanthorns to the city when they shall require or demand the same, to be all in good repair and glazed with white glass as aforesaid, as by the said act is directed; that the said act is now near expired, and that application be made to the present parliament for continuing the said act in the city, with such other directions as your honours shall think fit:' 1717. Glass.

Ordered that the said report be confirmed and referred to Mr. Recorder and Mr. Alderman Burton, the city representatives in parliament, to act therein as they shall think proper.—Allowed. Recorder. Burton. Parliament.

m. 63.

1717. October 18.—Third Friday after September 29.

Lord Mayor: Anthony Barkey; Sheriffs: John Reyson and Vincent Kidder.

[1.] Samuel Cooke, clerk to the right honorable the Lord Mayor, praying an allowance as usual for his Lordship to support the dignity of the Mayoralty: ordered that the treasurer do, on the said Lord Mayors warrant, pay to the petitioner for his Lordships use the sum of five hundred pounds, sterling, one moietie to be paid at Christmas next and the other moietie at midsummer next, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Mayoralty. Payment.

[2.] Samuel Cooke, praying a consideration for his trouble and services as clerk to the commissioners of array of the horse and foot militia of the city of Dublin, for four or five years past: ordered that the petitioner be paid by the treasurer, on the Lord Mayors warrant, the sum of forty pounds, sterling, for his services [stated] in his said petition, the same to be allowed the treasurer on account. Commissioners of array. Militia. Payment.

[3.] James Cathcart, clerk, setting forth that by the promotion of Mr. Bulkly, present city chaplain, the said Cathcart. Bulkly.

1717. City chaplain. chaplainship will now become vacant, and therefore prays the citys favour in being admitted city chaplain: ordered that the petitioner be admitted city chaplain during the citys pleasure, with the usual salary. Roll xix. m. 63.

Mary Austin. [4.] Mary Austin, widow, praying to be admitted one of the city poor widows, in the room of her sister: ordered that the petitioner be admitted and allowed three pounds per annum, to be paid quarterly during the citys pleasure.

Cossart. [5.] Ann Cossart, setting forth that she is the widow of alderman David Cossart, deceased, and that she is in her fortune much reduced since his decease, and praying Grant. an annual allowance for her relief and subsistence: ordered that the petitioner be paid thirty pounds per annum, half yearly, by the treasurer, the payment to commence from Michaelmas last, and to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Mathews, scavenger. [6.] Charles Mathews, praying to be admitted city scavenger for the south side of the river Anna Liffy, for one year from the expiration of Mr. Allens time, to enter into such articles as Mr. Recorder shall advise; to have the same salary as Mr. Allen lately had.

Pilkington, scavenger. [7.] Thomas Pilkington, praying to be continued in his employment of city scavenger of that part of this city lying on the north part of the river Anna Liffy: ordered that the petitioner be continued in his employment for one year longer, to commence from the expiration of his present term.

Dunbarr. [8.] David Dunbarr, esquire, setting forth that it was proposed that the city should contribute forty pounds to cover with an arched shore a nuisance on the north Lazy Hill. side of Lazy hill; that he had contracted with Mr. Nicholas Carter to make the same, and therefore prays the said forty pounds may be paid to the said Nicholas Carter. Carter: ordered that the said Nicholas Carter be paid the sum of forty pounds when the work is finished, and the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Roll xix. m. 63 *b*.

[9.] The committee of directors for the proprietors of the North Strand, setting forth that there is now due from each proprietor fifty shillings, and pray the payment of the same may be postponed; that the deeds are not ingrossed, and pray further time to perfect the same, etc.: ordered that further time be given for the perfecting the deeds of fee farm within mentioned for the proprietors of the North Strand, and that the payment of the fifty shillings from each proprietor be postponed till Christmas next, and that whatsoever is necessary further to be inserted in the said deed, to be referred to the committee for the said Strand. 1717. North Strand. Proprietors. Deeds. Payments. Postponement.

[10.] Certain commons, praying to inlarge the assembly: ordered that the assembly be inlarged till nine o'clock. Assembly. Time.

[11.] Certain commons, setting forth that his majestie king George, upon his seasonable and happy accession to the crown of these realms, having confirmed to this city its ancient rights and privileges, which had been invaded and almost subverted by the illegal and arbitrary measures taken by sir Constantine Phipps, and also honoured it with many distinguishing marks of his royal favour, and particularly in sending over his royal picture to this city, and placing upon the establishment of this kingdom the sum of three hundred pounds per annum in augmentation of the city revenues, to the end that they of this city may in some measure express and perpetuate their gratitude for so many and great benefits they daily enjoy under his majesties most gracious protection; and therefore pray that a statue of his most sacred majestie king George may be erected in honour of his majestie, and placed in such convenient part of this city as to this city shall be thought most proper for that purpose: ordered that to perpetuate, as far as in us lies, the many distinguishing marks of his majesties royal bounty conferred upon the city, and the inestimable blessings we daily enjoy under his majesties most auspicious government, and as a lasting monument of that profound veneration with George I. Sir Constantine Phipps. Picture. Augmentation. City revenues. Statue of George I.

1717. which our hearts are so justly filled for his most sacred Roll xix. m. 63 b.
Statue of George I. majestie, our second deliverer, a statue be erected in this city, and that the right honourable the Lord Mayor,
Committee. Sherriffs, treasurer, sir John Rogerson, aldermen Burton, sir John Eccles, Curtis, Surdeville and Porter, and twelve of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any seven of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sherriffs to be always two, are appointed a com-
Place. mittee to consider of a proper place within this city for erecting the same in, and to treat with some skilful and
Statuary. able statuary in Great Britain or this kingdom for such statue, and to report their proceedings to the next assembly: [Commons:] sir Nathaniel Whitwell, Joseph Kane, Humphry French, Peter Verdoen, William Aldrich, William Empson, Joseph Walker, John Meakings, Christopher Inch, Jeremiah Pepyat, Edward Dudgeon, John Wright.

Pepyat, City stationer. [12.] Jeremiah Pepyat, city stationer, having formerly m. 62. petitioned that he was apprehensive that it would be
Committee. necessary that a committee should be appointed to
Accounts. examine his accounts for the year ending Michaelmas next, and to report their opinion to the next assembly, and prayed that a committee may be accordingly appointed, and a committee was thereupon appointed, who made the following report:

Report. 'Pursuant to your honours order of last assembly, we have viewed and examined the petitioners accounts, and are of opinion that he be paid in full of the said account fifty nine pounds, eighteen shillings and one penny, sterling, which we submit to your honours this 11th day of October, 1717:' and having this assembly petitioned and prayed that the said report may be confirmed and made an act of this assembly: it is therefore ordered that the said report be confirmed and made an act of this assembly.

Ballast Office. [13.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 18th of October, 1717:

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1717. Report. Piles.

'In our last we gave your honours an account that there were three hundred piles driven on the South Bull, since which there are 567 piles more driven on the same in three rows, and part of the intervals between the said rows filled with stones, and the rest afilling as fast as the weather will allow; the said row contains a length from east to west about thirty eight perches. The charge in driving and filling between the said piles, when finished, will amount to above six hundred pounds over and above what the timber cost, which amounts to above three hundred pounds more, so that the whole charge of the said piles will amount to nine hundred pounds:' ordered to be considered next assembly.

Stones. Cost. Timber.

Engines.

'The season of the year will not permit the engines to work any longer this winter, and the next spring it may be considered whether or no your honours will think fit to carry on the said work.

Kishes. Sir John Rogerson.

'We have laid and filled with stones on the North Strand this summer four hundred kishes, and stopped the gap that was formerly laid open at the request of sir John Rogerson, and are going on in laying and filling more kishes on the Strand, and have bought five hundred kishes for that use, part of which are already laid and filled:' ordered to proceed as the season will permit.

City Quay.

'There is some progress made in filling the City Keay, and that work going on at all times when the gabbards can be spared from the office work:' ordered to continue the work till finished.

Timber.

'Of the two hundred tun of timber, reported in our last to be bought, we have yet received but twenty odd tuns.

Ringsend.

'We have taken a yard at Ringsend, to lay timber and other materials belonging to the Office in, at seven pounds ten shillings per annum, much nearer the work than the former yards, and more commodious than the said two yards which we before had at fifteen pounds per annum:' approved of.

1717. 'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed: all which is humbly submitted to this honorable assembly: Roll xix. m. 62.

'Thomas Bolton.—Math. Pearson.—Thomas Curtis.—John Porter.—Thomas Somervelle.—William Maple.—William Aston.—Joseph Kane.—James King.—Philip Cooley.—William Empson.—Peter Verdoen.—Thomas Stringer.'

An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 18th of July, 1717, exclusive, to the 17th day of October, 1717, inclusive: m. 62 d.

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
To balance of accounts to the 18th day of July, 1717, inclusive ..	184	17	2½	By sundry disbursements on the Office account, from 18th July, 1717, exclusive, to the 17th October, 1717, inclusive ..	1038	19	6
To cash received from ships, etc., from 18th July to the 17th October, inclusive ..	738	12	7	By money expended since the 18th July, 1717, in filling and backing the City Kay on the city account	54	16	11
To cash received from Messrs. Burton and Harrison ..	200	0	0				
Total	1123	9	9½				
Deduct	1093	16	5½	Total ..	£1093	16	5
Balance in Office ..	29	13	4				
Besides in Messrs. Burton and Harrisons hands ..	£350	0	0				

Franchise. Admissions to franchise. m. 64.

1717-18. 1717[-18.] January 17.—Fourth Friday after 25 December, 1717. m. 66.

Auditors of City accounts. [1.] Lord Mayor and Sherriffs, aldermen Bolton, sir John Rogerson, Walton, sir John Eccles, Pleasant, Quayle, Forbes, Surdeville, Somerville, and eighteen of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any nine of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sherriffs to be always two, are appointed auditors of the city accounts for the last year:

[The eighteen of the commons:] Joseph Kane, major Aldrich, Charles Hendrick, James Somerville, Henry Glegg, John Shaw, Thomas Gledstaines, James Stevenson, David Latouch, Major Verdoen, Samuel Card, John

Roll xix. m. 95. Meakins, Joseph Walker, Anthony Allen, James Esdale, 1717-18.
Timothy Dow[ton], Edward Dudgeon, Terence Rea.

[2.] William Empson and David King, late Sherriffs, Masters of works.
are appointed masters of the city works for the ensuing year.

[3.] Committee of the water course: Water course.

Lord Mayor and Sherriffs, and twelve of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any nine of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sherriffs to be always two, are appointed a committee to view the Committee.
water course: every one of the committee to have timely notice of their meeting.

[The twelve of the commons;] Joseph Kane, Richard Commons.
Blair, Peter Verdoen, William Milton, Charles Hendrick, James Somerville, Hugh Cuming, George Cholmondly, Thomas Cogan, James Esdall, Joseph Walker, John Paine.

[4.] Mark Henry Blackhall, setting forth that he is Blackhall.
the son of George Blackhall, who served Lord Mayor and treasurer of this city for several years, and that [he is now] by several mischances much reduced, and therefore praying some provision in the city for his support: ordered that the petitioner be paid eight pounds per Grant.
annum, to be paid quarterly, and to commence from Christmas last, during citys pleasure.

[5.] Margaret Stoughton, setting forth that she is the Stoughton.
daughter of George Stoughton, who formerly lived in a plentiful condition, upon whose death your petitioners mother had ten pounds per annum during her life settled on her by the city, which ten pounds was the main support as well of the petitioner as of her mother, now deceased, and therefore prays the citys charity and consideration: ordered that the petitioner be paid the sum of five pounds per annum, the same to be paid Grant.
half yearly, and the same to commence from Christmas last.

[6.] Edward Foreman, setting forth that he has been Foreman.
a freeman of this city of Dublin upwards of fifty four

1717-18. Clerk to market. years, and has served the city in the capacity of clerk to the market upwards of twenty years, and faithfully and honestly discharged his duty; that through great age and weakness he is now incapable of serving himself or the city, and therefore praying the citys charity and consideration: ordered that the petitioner be paid . . . shillings now and four pounds per annum, the same to be paid quarterly, to commence from Christmas last, during the citys pleasure. Roll xix. m. 66. m. 66 b. Grant.

Tasker. [7.] James Tasker, by his petition, setting forth that he is an antient inhabitant of this city and freeman of the same, and is now so reduced that he cannot subsist without the citys charity, and therefore prays the citys charity and consideration: ordered that the petitioner be paid the sum of four pounds a year, to be payable quarterly, and the same to commence from Christmas last, during the citys pleasure, and further that the treasurer do pay him twenty shillings this present assembly. Charity. Grant.

Fitz-maurice. Attorney. [8.] Maurice Fitzmaurice, praying to be admitted city attorney: granted during citys pleasure.

Ramsey. [9.] James Ramsey, praying to be city surveyor, for that he served his apprenticeship with Mr. Joseph Moland, late in that imployment, now deceased: ordered that the petitioner be admitted city surveyor during the citys pleasure. Moland, City surveyor.

[10.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine of the clock: ordered accordingly. Assembly.

North Strand. [11.] The committee of directors for the proprietors of the North Strand, setting forth that there is now become due from the proprietors of the North Strand the sum of fifty shillings each, as per act of assembly, for fencing out the sea and carrying on the work, and desire the said payment of fifty shillings, sterling, may be postponed till midsummer next, by reason of the deeds not being as yet perfected: ordered accordingly; and whereas by former order the first payment was to Sea. Work. Postponement. Payment.

Roll xix. m. 66 b. be made at Christmas: it is now ordered that the first payment be made at midsummer next, pursuant to the prayer of the within petition. 1717-18.

[12.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that Richard Jones, gentleman, has preferred a bill in the high court of chancery against several persons, and has made the Lord Mayor, Sherriffs, commons and citizens of this city defendants in the said bill, and likewise with others they are made defendants to a bill preferred by David Elwood against lord Lanesborough, and praying that Mr. Recorder may draw the answers, and that the same be put under the city seal: ordered that Mr. Recorder do draw answers to the said bills, and the same to be put under the city seal. Richard Jones. Chancery. Elwood. Lanesborough.

[13.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 17th January, 1717[-18]: Ballast Office.

'In the last report we acquainted your honours with the progress that was made in piling on the South Bull, since which the season of the year would only permit us to secure the works after the best manner we could, which has had so good an effect already, that the bank on each side the said piles is considerably risen, notwithstanding the violence of this winter storms has forced out some few of the piles and tumbled out some of the filling. Report. South Bull. Piles. Storms.

m. 65. 'We have five hundred ninety and five piles by us, which are proper for carrying on the said piling, and do expect a considerable quantity more by the 25th of March next, which we have contracted for, as reported to last assembly; therefore desire to have your honours directions in relation to the said work when the season of the year will permit:' Ordered to proceed to the westward as money shall come in, and as the season will permit:—Allowed. Piles.

'That we have laid down and filled with stones three hundred forty eight kishes on the north side the Stones Kishes.

1717-18. Ballast Office. channel since our last report, and there will be wanting a considerable number more, if your honours think fit that the said work should be carried on as the season will permit:' proceed as aforesaid :—Allowed. Roll xix. m. 65.

Storms. Floods. City Quay. 'The violence of storms and floods has done great damage to the City Key; but we are now filling up the same as fast as the gabbards can be spared from the necessary business of the Office, and we think it our duty to acquaint your honours that it will be impossible to fill up the said Key completely till the city builds up the breach now in the back wall, and to raise all the said wall to a proper height; there is likewise a great breach in the wall between sir John Rogersons ground and the citys, which we are of opinion ought to be considered :' ordered that the breaches in the said walls be repaired by the city, and raised to a proper height.—Allowed.

Breach. Rogerson.

Holt. Gabbards. Wherries. 'Pursuant to your honours order of the last assembly to us directed, on Mr. Thomas Houlds petition relating to arrears due from sixteen gabbards and three wherrys to the Ballast Office, wherein he is concerned, we have examined the said petition and do find only, as Mr. Hoult alledges, that one half part of the said gabbards so in arrears belongs to Mr. John Marney, a quarter part to Mr. Thomas Hoult, and the other quarter to Mr. John Mercer, and are of opinion that all or any of them may be sued for the said arrears amounting to forty three pounds, fifteen shillings, ending May, 1717:' Ordered that the said persons be sued as Mr. Recorder shall advise :—Allowed.

Mercer.

'An abstract of the cash now in the Office is hereunto annexed: all which is humbly submitted to this honourable assembly:

'Thomas Bolton.—Mathew Pearson.—Thomas Curtis.—John Porter.—Thomas Somerville.—William Empson.—Henry Glegg.—Joseph Kane.—Thomas Stringer.—Peter Verdoen.—James King.—Percival Hunt.'

Roll xix. m. 65

'Whereas there are six aldermen on this committee, and now but seven commons, we pray that the number of commons may be filled in proportion to the aldermen:' ordered accordingly: Charles Hendrick, James Somerville, James Stevenson, Thomas Gledstaines, Daniel Faulkiner:—Allowed. 1717-18. Ballast Office. Committee.

m. 65 b. An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 17th day of October, 1717, exclusive, to the 16th day of January, 1717[-18], inclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
To balance of accounts given in to the 17th of October, 1717, inclusive	29	13	4	By several disbursements on the Office account, from the 17th October, 1717, exclusive, to the 16th day of January, 1717, inclusive	406	10	9
To cash received from ships, etc., from 17th October, exclusive, to 16th January, 1717[-18], inclusive	487	7	10	By money expended since the 17th October, 1717, in filling and backing the city wall on the city account, as per account	79	2	11
Total	517	1	2				
Deduct	485	13	8½				
Balance	£31	7	5½	Total ...	£485	13	8½
Besides in Messrs. Burton and Harrisons hands	350	0	0				
Total in cash ...	£381	7	5½				

There are several debts now due from the Office which, when paid, will considerably sink the above cash.

m. 67. Admissions to franchise. Franchise.

1718. April 5.—Second Friday after Easter.[1] 1718.

m. 70. [1.] Daniel Cooke, clerk to the right honourable Anthony Barkey, esquire, Lord Mayor, setting forth that it is very apparent that the burthen of the office of Lord Mayor of this city is much greater than heretofore, occasioned by the several acts of parliament lately made in relation to this city for the better regulation thereof; that the expense and charge with which the Mayoralty is of late attended are more than formerly, the prices of all sorts of provisions since his Lordships coming into Acts of Parliament. Mayoralty. Prices.

[1] Easter day, 13 April, 1718.

1718. the Mayoralty being much dearer than in former years and likely to continue so for some time longer; and Payment. therefore prays an augmentation: ordered that the sum of four hundred pounds be paid to the petitioner for the use of the right honourable the Lord Mayor by the treasurer, and the same to be allowed him on his accounts. Roll xix. m. 70.

Peppard. [2.] Jacob Peppard, esquire, town clerk, setting forth Reyson, Kidder, Sheriffs. that John Reyson and Vincent Kidder, esquires, present Sherriffs, since their entering into the said office, and since they undertook the same, their time hath been wholly taken up in discharge thereof, whereby their private affairs have suffered very much, and therefore praying some consideration: ordered that the sum of Payment. two hundred pounds, sterling, be paid to the petitioner for the use of the Sherriffs by the treasurer, and the same be allowed on his accounts.

Maps of North Strand. Leases. Schedules. [3.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the number of maps of the North Strand that may be wanted are now correctly printed, and that the leases needful and schedules to be annexed to the same, as Mr. Recorder and others have advised, are likewise printed and ready to be perfected, and praying that the same may be perfected by affixing the city seal thereto: ordered that the leases be perfected accordingly.

Desmynieres. [4.] Peter Desmynieres, setting forth that some time ago he had six pounds per annum settled on him by the city till he was otherwise provided for, and now setting Messenger. Ballast Office. forth that the place of messenger to the Ballast Office is become vacant, and praying to be admitted into the same: granted during the citys pleasure, with the usual salary from the time he was employed, and that the pension granted him by the city be discharged.

Coates. [5.] George Coates, setting forth that he is a freeman and City attorney. attorney of the kings bench, and praying to be admitted a city attorney: granted during the citys pleasure.

Sir John Eccles. [6.] Sir John Eccles, knight and alderman, setting forth that he is now building a new church at his own

Roll xix. m. 70. m. 70 *b*.

expense, to be called St. Georges church, in Great Britain street, and praying the citys favour to enable him to perfect and finish the said church with such a sum as the city thinks fit to be paid him as the work goes on, in which a seat is to be erected for the Lord Mayor, Sherriffs and commons: ordered that the treasurer do pay the petitioner one hundred pounds towards building the said church, to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. 1718. St. George's church. Payment.

[7.] On the petition of Alexander Kane, setting forth that he is an antient inhabitant of this honourable city, and has had great dealings therein, and lived in a plentiful condition, but by misfortunes of the world and sickness is much reduced, and therefore humbly prays the citys favour to support him: ordered that the treasurer do pay the petitioner four pounds per annum during the citys pleasure, by half yearly payments, on every Michaelmas and Easter, the first payment to be made next Michaelmas. Kane. Grant.

[8.] On the petition of John Abbot, late master of the city Workhouse, setting forth that he is an antient citizen of this honourable city, and has served as master and warden of the brewers; that by losses sustained in his trade and the charge of a numerous family, he has been very much reduced; that about eleven years ago he was therefore appointed master of the city Workhouse; that some time ago he was displaced, not for any misdemeanour that he knows of, and therefore prays an annual allowance to prevent his being miserable the remaining short time he hath to live, being seventy five years of age: ordered that the treasurer do pay the within petitioner ten pounds per annum, during the citys pleasure, on every Michaelmas and Easter, by half yearly payments, the first payment to be next Michaelmas. Abbot. Brewers. Work-house. Grant.

[9.] Bartholomew Wybrants, setting forth that he is, and for twenty three years past and upwards hath been clerk to the commons, and praying a gratuity for his Wybrants. Gratuity.

1718. past services, being usually allowed ten pounds per annum, on his petition, every Michaelmas assembly: Roll xix. m. 70 b.

Payment. ordered that the treasurer do pay unto the petitioner, on the Lord Mayors warrant, the sum of ten pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed him on his accounts.

Isaac. Newgate. [10.] Ashenhurst Isaac, setting forth that John Saunderson. gaoler of Newgate, in this city, is willing to surrender his imploy, and your petitioner willing to serve in the said imploy, and prays a grant of the said imploy on such surrender: ordered, on the surrender of

Saunderson. John Saunderson, present gaoler of Newgate, that the petitioner be admitted into the said imploy during the citys pleasure, he giving the within security, together with Mr. John Holmes, of Church Street, and keeping

Gaol. Repair. the gaol in repair at his own expense, and paying Mr. Colcot annually ten pounds during his life and the petitioners continuance in the said imploy, by half yearly payments, he performing such other covenants and clauses as Mr. Recorder shall advise.

.[11.] Certain of the commons having formerly petitioned and prayed to repair the several slips of the city already made, and to make new ones where wanting,

Slips. Trade. as conducing very much to the benefit of trade and dispatch of business, and that the benefit arising out of

Ships. Gabbards. Boats. the same by ships, gabbards and boats that would lade and unlade at them would be considerably more than the charge of making the new slips or keeping all the said slips in repair, which petition was referred to a committee and often recommitted; that in Christmas assembly, 1717, it was ordered that the former order should be continued, and that the commons should name

m. 69.

Committee. six commons on the removal of some of the former committee, which last committee made the following report:

Report. 'Pursuant to your honours order of last assembly, we

Liffey. have reviewed the several slips on the river Liffy, and do

Jervis' Street. find that the slip opposite Jervis Street is repaired, as was formerly ordered. We think it proper that the slip

Roll xix. m. 89.

on Ormonde Keay, opposite the water row, be repaired, and the next slip eastward between the former slip and the necessary house be underpinned; that a slip be made opposite to Liffy Street, of the same form and dimensions that the slip opposite Jervis Street is, and that convenient posts be fixed in the ground to lay booms across to prevent persons from falling in the river, and that the wall of the Keay on each side of the said slip be repaired, all which work is to be made and done at the citys charge, which we submit to your honours:' ordered that the work be done according to the above report. 1718. Ormonde Quay. Repairs.

[12.] Certain of the commons setting forth that there is business of moment to be transacted this evening, which by reason of the shortness of time could not be finished, and therefore praying to inlarge the assembly till nine of the clock: ordered that the assembly be inlarged till nine o'clock. Assembly.

[13.] Joseph Kane, merchant, formerly, setting forth that there is a piece of ground which is part of the hill in Oxmantown Green, fronting the road going to Harbor Hill, and joyning to the end of a malt house in the possession of Mr. Thwaites; that your petitioner is desirous to come tenant to your honours for the same, and praying that a committee may be appointed to inspect and view how much of the said ground may be proper to be set in a line from the breadth of the malt house, so that the said Green may not in the least be disfigured, and report the value of the same, and a committee was appointed accordingly, and in Christmas assembly last it was ordered that the former order and aldermen be continued, and that the commons do name six commoners on the removal of some of the former committee, which committee made the following report: Kane. Oxmantown Green. Arbour Hill. Committee.

'Pursuant to your honours order of the last assembly to us directed, we, the committee have viewed and surveyed the premises, and do find that the same contain in front one hundred and forty nine foot and a

1718. half to the road, and one hundred and fifty six to the south, bounded with Oxmantown Green, twenty one foot and three quarters on the west, and bounded with Thwaites. the end of Mr. Thwaites malt house. We are of opinion that the petitioner have a lease of the said premises for the term of ninety nine years, at the yearly rent of four pounds per annum, payable half yearly, on every Easter and every Michaelmas, with capons to the Lord Mayor and ten shillings to the Poor house, for the use of the poor, and that the road be made no narrower than it is, and that he does not incroach on the said road:' ordered that the petitioner have a lease according and pursuant to the within report, with such clauses as Mr. Recorder shall think fit. Roll xix. m. 69.

Ballast Office. [14.] The report of the committee of the directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 25th of April, 1718:

Report. 'Since the last assembly we have filled up with furrs and stones the breaches that were made in the piles in South Bull. the South Bull by the last winter storms as far as the weather would permit, and are of opinion that it will conduce most to the public good and safety of ships Poolebegg. which lye in the channel and Poolebegg, that the work of piling and filling may be carried down to the westward this summer, it being the next proper season for that work:' ordered to proceed. m. 69 b.

Kishes. 'We have bought twelve hundred kishes to be delivered to the Office this summer, and men are now imployed in filling and laying down kishes on the north side the channel, which, if continued this season, we are humbly of opinion it will be of great use to the public:' ordered to proceed.

Mercer. 'Mr. John Mercer being lately dead, and Mr. John Marney. Marney not being returned from abroad, we have not been capable to make a state of the case for Mr. Recorder's Arrears. advice as to the duties which they are in arrears to the Ballast Office for their gabbards in company with Mr.

Roll xix. m 69 d. Houlte:' Ordered to make a state of the case as soon as possible. 1718.

'Daniel Houlte, late door keeper and messenger to the Ballast Office, being lately dead, we have for the present, with the consent of my Lord Mayor, put Peter Desmynieres into that place, and the rather because he has a small pension from the city till he be otherwise provided for, and we think him qualified for the said imployment:' Granted during the citys pleasure. Houlte. Desmynieres.

'The Ballast Office is obliged, by act for erecting the same, to lay the accounts of the annual receipts and disbursements of the Office once in every three years before the Government and council; therefore we think it proper that an abstract of the same be prepared against next assembly, in order to have the city seal thereto as usual:' Ordered accordingly. Accounts.

'An abstract of the cash now in the Office is hereunto annexed: All which is humbly submitted to this honourable assembly:

'Thomas Bolton.—Mathew Pearson.—Thomas Curtis. — Thomas Somervell. — Daniel Falkiner. — Thomas Gledstaines.—Peter Verdoen.—Thomas Stringer.—Henry Glegg. — James Somervell.—Joseph Kane. — Percival Hunt.—Edward Surdevill.'

An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 16th day of January, 1717[-18,] exclusive, to the 24th day of April, 1718, inclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.
To balance of accounts to the 10th of January, 1717[-18], inclusive	31	7	3½
To cash received from ships, etc., from January 16th, exclusive, to April 24th, 1718, inclusive	571	14	10
Total	603	2	3½
Deduct	479	19	4
Balance in the Office	123	2	11½
Besides in Messrs. Burton and Harrisons hands	350	0	-
Total in cash ..	£473	2	11½

Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
By sundry disbursements on the Office account, from January 16th, 1717[-18], exclusive, to 24th day of April, 1718, inclusive	479	19	4

1718. 1718. July 1.—Post assembly held at the Tholsell of the city of Dublin: Roll xix. m. 69 *b*.

Guildhall, Tholsel. Certain of the commons, setting forth that on Sunday, the 29th of June last, the Guildhall in the Tholsell of this city was broke into by some person or persons disaffected to his most sacred majestie, king George, and his government; who in the night time of the said day

Defacement of picture of George I. broke into the said hall and defaced and cut in pieces his said majesties picture; that it would be very much for the honour of this city to have the said person and all concerned therein discovered and brought to justice at the expence of this city, and therefore prayed that a

Proclamation. proclamation might issue offering such reward for the

Discovery. discovery of such person and persons as the city should think fit: ordered that the right honourable the Lord Mayor do forthwith issue a proclamation promising a

Reward. reward of five hundred pounds, sterling, to any person or persons who shall discover the person or persons, or any of them, who broke into the said Guildhall, so that

Conviction. he or they be brought to justice and convicted of the said fact, the said sum to be paid by the receiver general of the city revenues, on the Lord Mayors warrant, and to be allowed him on his accounts.

1718. July 18.—Fourth Friday after 24 June. m. 74.

Donny-brook church. [1.] The minister, church wardens and parishioners of the parish church of Donnybrook, in the county of Dublin, setting forth that the said church is much out of repair, and praying the Citys contribution towards repairing the same: ordered that the treasurer do pay the minister and churchwardens of said parish the

Contribution. sum of ten pounds, sterling, for repairing the said church, the same to be allowed him on account.

Charles Mathew, scavenger. [2.] On the petition of Charles Mathew, praying to be continued scavenger for the south side of the river Liffy for the ensuing year, commencing from the first day of November next, at seven hundred pounds, sterling,

Roll xix. m. 74. salary: granted, the petitioner entering into such articles pursuant to the act of parliament as Mr. Recorder shall advise. 1718

[3.] On the petition of Thomas Pilkington, praying to be continued scavenger of the north side of the river Liffy for the ensuing year, commencing from the first day of November next, at three hundred and twenty pounds, sterling, salary: granted, the petitioner entering into such articles pursuant to the act as Mr. Recorder shall advise. Thomas Pilkington, scavenger. Salary.

[4.] On the petition of Henry Oates, setting forth that he has served in the office of fire master to this city since the decease of Henry Thomas, and prays to be continued in said imployment, on the certificate of the standing committee for rewarding persons serviceable in extinguishing fire in his favour: granted, the petitioner admitted city fire master in the place of Henry Thomas, during citys pleasure, at the yearly salary of five pounds, to commence from midsummer last. Oates, fire-master. Henry Thomas. Salary.

[5.] George Sergant, setting forth that he has been at great trouble in serving summons against Papists and other summons in the city service, and therefore prays consideration: ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayors warrant, pay the petitioner ten pounds, the same to be allowed on account. Sergant. Roman Catholics. Summons. Payment.

[6.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that Mr. Mitchell has been at great loss on account of the pictures which he had copyed in the Tholsell from the original picture of king George being cut to pieces, the 29th of June last, and that he has with great diligence and expence repaired the said original, therefore prays he may be considered for such his loss: ordered that the treasurer do pay Mr. Mitchell, on the Lord Mayors warrant, twenty pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed on account. Mitchell. Pictures. Tholsel. George I. Repair. Payment.

[7.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly to ten o'clock: granted. Assembly.

1718. Committee. City lights. [8.] Certain of the commons having formerly petitioned that a committee may be appointed to inspect into the management of the city lights, which was appointed accordingly, and made the following report: Roll xix. m. 74.

Report. 'Pursuant to the order of last assembly, we, the within committee, have considered of Messrs. Cuming, Gregg and Cuninghams petition, as also Mr. Tinisons Proposals. petition, and their several proposals:

'We ordered Mr. Tinison to lay before us his books Lamps. in relation to the receipts of the lamp money, which are kept so irregularly that we could not come to the know- m. 74 b. ledge of the income thereof. We also ordered Mr. Tinison to repair the broken lamps with tin and glass by the tenth of July instant, which he neglected to do:

'We therefore think that it will be for the service of Cuming. Gregg. Cuningham. the public and honour of the city that Messrs. Cuming, Gregg and Cuningham have the management of the city lights for one year, commencing from the expiration of Tinisons last article, with the legal benefits thereof, they fixing thirty lamps more than Mr. Tinison was obliged by his last article in such places as the Lord Mayor for the time being shall direct or appoint:

'We are of opinion that the said Messrs. Cuming, Gregg and Cuningham do enter into the like article that Mr. Tinison did last, with such alterations as Mr. Recorder shall advise. We likewise think proper Utensils. that Mr. Tinison do deliver up the lamps and utensils as he is obliged by his last article, which we submit to your honours, this 10th day of July, 1718.'

And the said Messrs. Hugh Cuming, Hugh Gregg and Daniel Cuningham, having petitioned and praying the said report may be confirmed and made an act of this Lights. assembly: granted for one year, they finding sixty lights Articles. more than Mr. Tinison was obliged by his last articles, and entering into such new articles as Mr. Recorder shall advise, pursuant to the act of parliament.

Humphrey. French. [9.] On the petition of Humphrey French, setting

Roll xix. m. 74 b.

forth that that portion of ground belonging to the city of Dublin, called Crabb Lough, of which a survey was lately taken, is as yet undisposed of, and he is willing to become tenant for the same for a term of ninety nine years, at fifty pounds per annum rent; and after having bid twenty pounds more, over and above the said fifty pounds, with the same clauses and duties indorsed on alderman Boltons petition: 1718. Crabb Lough. Survey.

It was thereupon ordered that the petitioner have leave and license for sixty one years, to commence from Lady day next, to lay down and take up oysters on that part of the Strand commonly called Crabb Lough, at the yearly rent of seventy pounds, payable to the city at Michaelmas and Lady day, and duties of ten thousand large oysters yearly to the Lord Mayor of the city of Dublin for the time being, and two thousand large oysters yearly to each Sherriff for the time being, to be paid yearly during the said term, at such places, times and proportions as the Lord Mayor and Sherriffs for the time being shall appoint or direct, so as nothing in the said grant contained shall hinder the Lord Mayor, Sherriffs, commons and citizens from building, inclosing and improving the same or any part thereof, during the said term, and likewise reserving all royaltyes and fisheries (except that of oysters), with liberty to fish thereon for any fish but oysters, to the said Lord Mayor, Sherriffs, commons and citizens of the said city; it being the true intent and meaning of this grant that the petitioner have only liberty of laying down, bedding and taking up oysters on the said premises from time to time during the said term, with liberty for the Lord Mayor, Sherriffs, aldermen, commons and their ladies, to go and eat oysters at the said bed for one day each year, and with such other clauses as Mr. Recorder shall think fit, and that the city give leave to no other person to lay down or take up oysters on the said Strand during the said term, and the Oysters. Strand. Rent. Lord Mayor. Sheriffs. Payment. Royalties. Fisheries. Bedding oysters. Eating oysters. Reservation.

1718. petitioner to have power to surrender the same, giving a years notice. Roll xix. m. 74 *b.*

John Usher. Chancery. [10.] Doctor John Usher, one of the masters of his majesties high court of chancery in Ireland having formerly petitioned and set forth that by indenture, dated the seventeenth day of January, 1633, the city Plunkett. did demise unto Robert Plunkett one plot of ground in Cook-street. Cook street, in the city of Dublin, then void by the Chamberlaine. surrender of a lease formerly made to Michael Chamberlin, then deceased, for the term of ninety nine years from the date thereof, at the rent of four pounds five shillings, sterling, per annum; that the premises by several measne conveyances are come to the petitioner, and that the houses which have been since built thereon are now very ruinous, and that nobody will build or Encouragement. repair the same without the encouragement of a long Lease. lease, and therefore prays a lease of the premises for lives renewable for ever, or for such other term and under such yearly rent as the City shall think fit to Committee. grant, which petition was referred to a committee, who made the following report: m. 73.

Report. 'Pursuant to your honours orders of the last assembly to us directed, we, the committee appointed to Survey. view and survey the premises in the within petition of doctor John Usher, have accordingly surveyed the same, and find that they are old and ruinous houses, and want to be rebuilt or repaired, and that they contain in front to the north in Cook street eighty six feet and a half; the west end, bounded by New Hall Market. New Hall Market stairs, twenty six feet and a half in depth; the east end, by Mr. Kanes house, twenty four feet three quarters, and bounded to the southward by New Hall Market, as may appear by a map thereof hereunto annexed. We are of opinion that the petitioner have a lease of the said premises for lives renewable for ever, to commence from the day before the date of the said deed, at four pounds five shillings per annum,

Roll xix. m. 73. payable half yearly, on every Michaelmas and Easter 1718. until Michaelmas, 1725, and from thence the yearly rent of twenty pounds per annum, the petitioner discharging the arrears on perfection of the new lease, and paying the old reserved rent of four pounds five shillings per annum to that time, as aforesaid, and paying half a years rent for each renewal after Michaelmas, 1725; the petitioner likewise to have the two vaults adjoining the Vaults. premises, but not to build over them, as also the back kitchen adjoining the premises, now in the possession of Christopher Horish, provided the petitioner at his own Horish. expence defend the title of the said kitchen; the petitioner to surrender the present lease and to pay ten shillings to the Poorhouse for the use of the poor on perfection Poor-house. of the new one, and capons yearly to the Lord Mayor, or five shillings in lieu thereof; which we submit to your honours this 23rd day of June, 1718.'

And the said doctor Usher having petitioned, and praying the said report may be confirmed and made an act of this assembly: granted, pursuant to the report, with such clauses as Mr. Recorder shall advise.

m. 73 b. [11.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 18th of Ballast Office. July, 1718:

'Pursuant to your honours directions of the last Report. assembly, we are proceeding in pileing and filling between them with stones and furrs on the South Bull eastward, South Bull. adjoyning to those drove down last year; the long piles for the front of the said work begin to fall short, the Office being disappointed of two hundred tuns of timber Timber. agreed with Mr. Caldwell for last year, we having received as yet no more than thirty two tuns, and are of opinion [we] shall not receive this season any more, but are making the best enquiry we can for piles else- Piles. where, and hope we shall be able to procure them, so that the work may not stand still this season:' ordered to proceed.

1718. Ballast Office. Kishes. Ringsend. 'We have laid down the kishes on the north side the channel as high and as far eastward as opposite to Ringsend point, and are filling and backing them with stones as fast as we can, and likewise are laying down kishes from the east end of the aforesaid kishes in a line towards the island, we having a good quantity of kishes by us, and do expect more every day, according to agreements formerly made for them, which will be a means of securing those kishes already laid down on the north side the channel:' Ordered to proceed. Roll xix. m. 73 *b*.

Hacken. Holland. 'Mr. Hacken is not yet returned from abroad, but we have received a letter from Mrs. Hacken, now in Holland, which is hereunto annexed:' continued for a quarter longer; if he does not return then, to be discharged.

Babe. Custom House. 'Mr. Babe having applied to us for some reward for the service he does the Ballast Office at the Custom House, we are of opinion that he may deserve ten pounds per annum, provided he files all certificates from the Office for the discharging of ships, in order to be laid before the committee for their inspection, we having ordered the Ballast master to number all such certificates, with the sums received by him on every particular branch, and all such numbers to be entered in his cash book, which will be the best cheque we can think of on the proceedings of the Ballast Office:' Granted ten pounds per annum.

Ballast master. Grant.

Arrears. Gabbards. Wherries. 'We have drawn a list of all arrears due for the Ballast Office from gabbards and wherries, which amounts to £129 10s. due from gabbards last May, and from wherries, £36 15s., and are drawing up a state of the case in order to be laid before a council for his advice how the same be recovered by law:' Ordered accordingly.

Case.

'An abstract of the cash now in the Office is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to this honourable assembly.

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'Thomas Bolton.—Mathew Pearson.—Thomas Curtis. 1718. Ballast Office. —Edward Surdeville.—Henry Glegg.—Joseph Kane. —Thomas Stringer.—Percival Hunt.—James King.—Thomas Gledstanes.—James Stevenson.—William Empson. — James Somervell.— Charles Hendrick. — John Porter.—Thomas Somervell.'

An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 24th day of April, 1718, exclusive, to the 17th day of July, 1718, inclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
To balance from cash book No. 4, the last two quarters, and half accounts to May next ..	101	18	0½	By sundry disbursements on the Office account, from the 24th day of April, 1718, exclusive, to the 17th day of July, 1718, inclusive	639	6	6
To cash received from the 24th April, 1718, exclusive, to 17th July, 1718, inclusive ...	733	4	3				
Total	835	2	3½				
Deduct	639	6	6				
Balance in the Office	195	15	9½				
Besides in Messrs. Burton and Harrisons hands	350	0	0				
Total cash	£545	15	9				

N.B.—There are several debts now due from the Office, which when paid will considerably sink the above balance.

m. 75. Admissions to franchise. Franchise.

m. 79. 1718. October 17.—Third Friday after 29 September.

Lord Mayor: William Quayle; Sheriffs: Percival Hunt and Charles Hendrick. Lord Mayor. Sheriffs.

[1.] On the petition of Daniel Cooke, clerk to the right honourable the Lord Mayor, setting forth that his Lordship being elected into the Mayoralty of this city Mayoralty. for this present year, will be at great expense to support the dignity of the same, and therefore prays an allowance Allowance. as has been usual: it is thereupon ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayors warrant, pay to the Payment. petitioner for his Lordships use the sum of five hundred

1718. pounds, sterling, one moiety to be paid at Christmas next, and the other moiety at midsummer next, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Roll xix. m. 79.

[2.] On the petition of certain of the commons, setting forth that Mr. Bartholomew Wybrants, clerk to the commons, has served in that station upwards of twenty three years, during which time he discharged his office with care and diligence; that for the first ten years the said Mr. Wybrants was only obliged to read such petitions, etc., as were sent in by the Lord Mayor and aldermen to the commons house, but ever since the Mayoralty of sir Francis Stoyte (being thirteen years) he was not only to perform the aforesaid duty, but was also obliged to keep an exact registry or entry of all acts of assembly, petitions, orders, reports and surveys, and all other proceedings, in a book for that purpose, for the commons use, which took up a considerable deal of his time, and never was before required to be done by any of his predecessors, for which his extraordinary and useful service your honours were pleased to grant him ten pounds per annum on his petition every Michaelmas assembly; that since Michaelmas, 1712, being six years, the said Mr. Wybrants received only twenty pounds, videlicet, ten pounds in Michaelmas assembly, 1716, and ten pounds the last Easter assembly, towards compensation of his past services, which he justly performed with due care and fidelity, and therefore prays a consideration for his last four years past services: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayors warrant, do pay the within [named] petitioner forty pounds, sterling, in full of his past services to Michaelmas last, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Wybrants, clerk to commons.

Petitions.

Mayoralty. Stoyte.

Registry.

Service.

Grant.

Compensation.

Payment.

[3.] Richard West, Rowland Parker, Gilbert Kelly and Mathew Bowen, city adjutants, setting forth that they have imployed great part of their time in a strict observance of their duty in the service of their several regiments, and that they have not received any gratuity

City adjutants.

Regiments.

Roll xix. m. 79. since Midsummer assembly, 1717, and therefore pray the citys consideration: ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayors warrant, pay to the petitioners the sum of twenty pounds, being five pounds to each, the same to be allowed on accounts. 1718. Payment.

m. 79 b. [4.] On the petition of James Ramsey, city surveyor, setting forth that since his admittance into the said imployment he has taken and made several maps for the citys use, and has attended the right honourable the Lord Mayor, etc., in measuring the pavement of the city before several hundreds of houses, and therefore prays the citys consideration: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayors warrant, do pay to the petitioner ten pounds, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Ramsey, City surveyor. Maps. Pavement. Houses. Payment.

[5.] Certain of the commons setting forth that the place of Mr. Mathew Hacken in the Ballast Office having become vacant, and his salary ceasing, and Mr. Henry Glegg, who has been for several years a trader and one of the commons, and borne offices in the said city, having ever since the erecting of the said Ballast Office not only been one of the committee therein, and attended the ordinary business thereof, but also applied himself with a great part of his time and some expence in going down and overseeing the works for enclosing and bettering the channel, and without having or looking for any reimbursement or satisfaction hitherto; and for that the said works will continue to require the particular oversight and attendance of some person to be appointed for that purpose, and therefore pray that the said Mr. Glegg may be constituted overseer of the said works at the like salary as was allowed to the said Mr. Hacken, or such other salary as the city shall think fit; ordered that Mr. Henry Glegg be admitted overseer of the Ballast Office works at the yearly salary of fifty pounds and to receive his directions from time to time from the committee of directors of the Ballast Office, and that the first quarters salary be given to Mr. Mathew Hackens family, the said Mr. ... Hacken. Ballast Office. Channel. Oversight. Glegg, overseer. Appointment. Salary.

1718. Hacken being from henceforth discharged from any further service in the said Office. Roll xix. m. 79 *b*.

Nathaniel Bradford. [6.] On the petition of Nathaniel Bradford, setting forth that he hath been a freeman of the city of Dublin forty years; that by misfortunes and losses in his way of trading, and by reason of his infirmity and old age, he is very much reduced, and therefore prays the citys consideration as to a yearly allowance, or to some imploy to support him in his old age: ordered that the treasurer do pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, six pounds, to be allowed on account.

Allowance.

Manning. [7.] Thomas Manning setting forth that he has been from time to time these ten months past at vast expence and charge in prosecuting and bringing to justice the several forestallers and regretters of sea coal, together with keepers of fraudulent measures, and therefore prays the citys consideration: ordered that the treasurer do pay to the within petitioner the sum of six pounds, on the Lord Mayors warrant, the same to be allowed on account.

Fore-stallers.

Luke Gardiner. [8.] Luke Gardiner, esquire, in behalf of himself and the executors of William Alcock, esquire, deceased, setting forth that in Midsummer assembly, 1712, Mr. John Mercer and Mrs. Mary Kemeys had a lease from the city for lives renewable for ever of a piece of Strand at the back of Lazy Hill at three pounds per annum rent, and half a years rent on the fall of every life; that the interest of the premises by measne conveyance came to the petitioner and the said Mr. Alcock in his lifetime, and that forsomuch the trouble in renewing will be great to the city as well as to the petitioner, the fine on every renewal being but inconsiderable, the petitioner prays the city to accept a surrender of the old lease, and to grant a fee farm of the said Strand under the former rent on his paying down such reasonable fine in lieu of the casual ones as the city shall think fit, or to grant him a renewal by inserting William Gardiner, son of the petitioner, as a life instead of the said John Mercer: ordered that William

Strand.

Lazy Hill.

Alcock. m. 78.

William. Gardiner.

Mercer.

Roll xix. m. 78. Gardiner, the petitioners son, be inserted as a life instead of the said John Mercer, deceased. 1718.

[9.] Certain of the commons praying that the assembly may be inlarged till nine o'clock: Granted. Assembly.

[10.] Certain of the commons having, as of Midsummer assembly last, petitioned that the committee to whom the contents of the petition in relation to his majesties statue were referred, reported as followeth, videlicet: Statue of George I.

'We, the within committee, have perused a letter[1] from sir Godfrey Kneller, addressed to Mr. Robert Finlay, who seemed to recommend the statue of his majestie on foot, yet we are of opinion it should be on horseback, pursuant to the last act of assembly, it being so much more honourable, and that forasmuch as the founder in London, who hath been treated with by said Mr. Finlay, did demand about fifteen hundred pounds for the same, of which five hundred pounds were to be advanced immediately as part of the same, we humbly move to your honour to think of some way or means for the advancement of what sum that shall be agreed on for the statue, that so that work may be carried on with all dispatch, and that no further delay may be made therein; and we are of opinion that when the statue is finished, to be erected on a pedestal by Essex Bridge, and that the king, as well as the horse, be of the same size of that at Charing Cross, near Whitechapel. Sir Godfrey Knellers letter, with Mr. Finlays, are hereunto annexed; which we submit to your honours this 15th day of September, 1718:' Report. Sir Godfrey Kneller. Finlay. Terms. Essex Bridge. Charing Cross.

Whereupon certain of the commons this assembly petitioned as followeth, videlicet:

'That it is now twelve months since your honours, as a grateful remembrance of his majesties royal bounty and favour to this city, as well as for the many valuable benefits it hath enjoyed by his happy accession to the throne, more particularly at a time when this city so Petition. George I.

[1] Not in the collection.

1718. long before had lain under the greatest dilemma for want of Sherriffs, and a Lord Mayor qualified to act, and who were restored then by his majestie, pursuant to the Charters. antient charters and customs of this city, did, by act of Order. Statue. assembly, order that the statue of his said majestie should be erected in this city; and whereas the committee that was then appointed by your honours to Place. consider of a proper place to erect it in, as well as to Artists. treat with skilful artists for the same, did often meet, and constantly at every assembly since reported their opinion to your honours; that your honours did, the last quarter assembly, order that the said statue shall be on horseback, and that the same be made with all convenient speed. Since which the committee did meet with full resolutions to perform your honours orders; City Treasury. but they finding the city treasury to be but low, and at present not capable of raising the value that the same will require, unless your honours will think fit by some way or other to raise the same for that end so much desired by your honours, as well as by all his majesties Citizens. true and loyal citizens of the honourable city, else the said work must of consequence be further postponed, and to for some years to come, before the city can by Yearly income. their yearly income compleat the same, the sum wanted by computation being about two thousand pounds, Amount. videlicet, about fifteen hundred pounds, English, being Statuary. demanded by the statuary or founder, a good part whereof to be paid in hand before he will undertake that work. The remaining five hundred pounds, by a modest com- Charges. putation, will be required at least for charges, as exchange, freight, etc., to erect and compleat the same. These circumstances being under your honours consideration, may it therefore please your honours to order that the said sum of two hundred pounds may be Loan. Interest. borrowed by the city at the very lowest interest possible, that so the said statue may be articled for, founded and erected. By so doing, the same unanimity will appear for

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perfecting the said work as there had been in ordering it to be erected. All which your petitioners hope will ingage your honours to hinder any further time to be lost in so loyal and honourable an undertaking, and your petitioners will pray: 17th October, 1718: 1718.

Ordered that the sum of two thousand pounds be borrowed on the city seal at the lowest interest, pursuant to the prayer of the within petition, and that the committee be continued to see the work finished pursuant to the annexed report:—Allowed. Order.

[11.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee appointed for disposing of the City Strand between sir John Rogersons and Mercers ground by cant, had made a report of the 17th September last, which is as followeth: Strand. Committee. Rogerson. Mercer.

'Pursuant to the order of last assembly, we, the committee appointed to sell the within ground belonging to the city, did on the 24th day of July last direct advertisements to be printed and posted in the Tholsell and other public places, and thereby appointed the fourth day of August last for the sale thereof, at the Tholsell court of this city, the same being then put up to cant, pursuant to order of the said assembly; at which time and place your committee met, but no person appearing to bid for the same, your committee adjourned the said court to the twelfth day of August aforesaid, and ordered the keay to be filled up and the wall thereof to be built even with the first floor of the house built by sir John Rogerson on his keay, called the Fountain tavern, and directed advertisements thereof to be printed and posted, which was accordingly done, on which twelfth day of August your committee met again, pursuant to their advertisement, and no person appearing to bid for the said ground, we further adjourned to the sixteenth day of September instant, and accordingly met, on which day no person appearing to bid for the Report. Advertisements. Tholsel. Sale. Meeting. Adjournment. Quay. Fountain tavern. Adjournment.

1718. Strand. said ground, we therefore, and forasmuch as it appeared also that it was not likely anybody would appear to bid for the same, did not think fit to give notice of our further meeting on the same: all which our proceedings we submit to your honours, this 17th day of September, 1718.' Roll xix. m. 78 *b*. m. 77.

On which report the following order was made, 17 October, 1718:

Order. 'It appearing by the report of the committee that notwithstanding the said Strand was posted to have been sold, and that the committee met several times to have proceeded on the sale, no person appeared to bid for the said ground, but the same still remains undisposed of:

Committee. Ground. 'Ordered that the same committee be continued and empowered to sell the said ground by cant to the highest bidder, first posting up notice of the time and place of sale, and that the committee set up the same to cant

Price. Rent. at five thousand pounds, five pounds per annum rent to the city, and capons yearly to the Lord Mayor, and that

Conditions of sale. by the conditions of the sale the committee give notice that whoever becomes the purchaser shall pay one thousand pounds down at the time of the cant, one thousand pounds more on perfection of the deeds, and the remainder of the purchase money in three gales, six months to be allowed between each gale; that the highest bidder above the said five thousand pounds, rent and duties, to be declared the purchaser, and to have the

Fee farm. same granted in fee farm, and deeds to be prepared as

Commons. Mr. Recorder shall advise, and that the commons name two commoners instead of the present Sherriffs, Mr. John Holliday and Mr. William Hendrick:'—Allowed.

Jeremiah Pepyat, printer. [12.] Jeremiah Pepyat, city printer and stationer, setting forth that the committee to whom his account and petition were referred had made a report thereon, and prayed that the same might be made an act of assembly, which report is as followeth:

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'Pursuant to the order of last assembly to us directed, we have viewed and examined the petitioners account which is hereto annexed, and are of opinion that he be paid in full of the said account the sum of one hundred and twenty pounds and one penny, sterling, which we submit to your honours, this 19th day of September, 1718:' whereupon it is ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayors warrant, do pay the petitioner one hundred and twenty pounds one penny, sterling, pursuant the committees report, and that the same be allowed the treasurer on his accounts:—Allowed. 1718. Report. Payment.

[13.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 17th October, 1718: Ballast Office.

'Pursuant to your honours orders of last Easter assembly, we have carried on the work of pileing on the South Bull to the eastward as far as the season would permit; but the late storms have done some damage to the said work, by forcing some of the said piles out of their ranges, which we hope to recover, and have given orders for securing the remainder of them by planking, bracing and filling between them with stones and firs:' ordered to proceed to make good the damage:—Allowed. Report. South Bull. Storms.

'The necessity of the Office obliges us to lay before your honours that the Office is indebted to several persons for materials already received, and to several tradesmen for work done for the use of the said Office, to the value of seven hundred pounds or upwards, and in regard the Ballast Office has already disbursed towards the building the walls of the City Keay £748 7s. 7d., and now the back wall of the said keay being near finished, when the same is measured there will be a farther demand from the Office on that account; and the Office has likewise already paid the gabbardmen for filling the said keay £699 0s. 10d. over and above wear and tear; and there being now very little money in the Office to discharge the Debts. Disbursements. City Quay. Gabbardmen.

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1718. said debts, and very little expected for some time to come, Roll xix. m. 77 b. therefore we humbly hope your honours will be pleased to order such a sum of money to be reimbursed to the said Office as will enable us to support the credit of the Payments. Tradesmen. same by paying poor tradesmen and others what the Office is indebted to them:' Ordered that the treasurer do pay to the orders of the Ballast Office six hundred seventy four pounds thirteen shillings and seven pence towards payment for the walls:—Allowed.

'We have taken advice of council for the recovering of Arrears. Gabbards. Wherrys what arrears are due from gabbards and wherrys to the said Office, whose oipnion is hereunto annexed for your honours directions therein:' Referred to Mr Recorder for his opinion:—Allowed.

Hacken. 'Mr. Hacken is not yet returned from abroad:'—Discharged.

'Pursuant to your honours orders of last Easter assembly, we have prepared an abstract of all the receipts and payments of the said Ballast Office from the first of November, 1715, inclusive, to the 24th day of April, 1718, inclusive, in order to have the city seal affixed thereto, that the said abstract may be laid before the Government and Council as the act of parliament directs:' Ordered accordingly:—Allowed.

Ordered that the commons name three persons in the Directors. room of the two Sherriffs and Mr. Glegg, as directors of the Ballast Office: Mr. William Melton, Mr. Thomas Thorne, Mr. Thomas Corker:—Allowed.

'An abstract of the cash now in the Office is hereunto annexed: all which is humbly submitted to this honourable assembly:

'Thomas Bolton.—Math. Pearson.—Thomas Curtis.—Edward Surdeville.—John Porter.—Henry Glegg.—Charles Hendrick.—James King.—Peter Verdoen.—Joseph Kane.—Percival Hunt.—Thomas Stringer.—Thomas Gledstaines.'

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An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 17th of July, 1718, exclusive, to the 16th day of October, 1718, inclusive: 1718. Ballast Office.

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.
To balance of accounts to the 17th of July, 1718, inclusive ...	195	15	9½
Received since from ships, etc. ...	698	10	4
Received from Messrs. Burton and Harrison	250	0	0
Total	1144	6	11½
Deduct	1123	11	7
Balance in the Office	20	14	6½
Besides in Messrs. Burton and Harrisons hands	100	0	0
Total in cash ...	£120	0	6

Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
By sundry disbursements on the Office accounts, from the 17th July, 1718, exclusive, to the 16th of October, 1718, inclusive	1049	16	7
Laid out in building the city wall, as per account	73	13	0
Total ...	£1123	11	7

m. 90. Admissions to franchise. Franchise.

m. 84. 1718-19. January 16.—Fourth Friday after December 25, 1718. 1718-19.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that these several six persons, videlicet, John Allen, esquire, now lord Allen, for lot by the acre, no. 20, and by the foot, no. 130; George Roan, for lot by the acre, no. 25, and by the foot, no. 31; Thomas Brereton, for lot by the acre, no. 15, and by the foot, no. 113; Ebenezer Shackleton, for lot by the acre, no. 9, and by the foot, no. 69; Robert Jackson, for lot by the acre, no. 84, and by the foot, no. 127; and William Colebank, for lot by the acre, no. 86, and by the foot no. 98, have not by this time perfected their leases for the said lots, though they have been very often summoned for that end; that their neglect had been a very great stop and hindrance to the proceedings of the committee of directors for the North Strand, it being impossible for them to make a direct list or schedule of the present proprietors, by which they may form a rent roll or charge upon the whole, and by which the ledger is to be formed and kept; that by act of assembly made the 5th April, 1717, it is enacted that North Strand. Lord Allen. Roan. Brereton. Shackleton. Jackson. Colebank. Leases. Lots. Committee. Rent roll. Ledger. Acts of assembly.

1718-19. every proprietor shall perfect his deed in three months after the said lots are drawn, or his grant to be void and the five pounds to be lost to him, but applyed to the public work; that though it be above eight months since Leases. the leases have been printed, in order to be perfected, yet the said persons have not to this time perfected Summons. theirs, though so often summoned for that purpose, which shews as if they had no desire to be concerned in the same, or else at least they have a mind to protract the proceedings of the said committee, which is a Discouragement. discouragement to the whole work, and besides, unless Proprietors. the leases be all perfected the whole body of proprietors cannot be summoned to meet in order for the said committee to lay before them their proceedings, as is Schedules. directed by the schedule which is annexed to every lease; also that upon drawing the lot of the North Hoyle. Strand, Mr. Edmond Hoyle, for lot by the acre, no. 34, Bolton. and by the foot, 129, not appearing, alderman Bolton, being then Lord Mayor, for the said lot did give his note for the fine of five pounds, he believing in some short time the said Hoyle might appear to perform his part himself; but inasmuch as the said Hoyle, nor any one by him authorized, hath hitherto appeared to take Committee. out the lease for the same, the committee of the North North Strand. Strand doth not know how to proceed in the same without your honours directions; and therefore prayed that an order might be made relating to the said six persons who have not perfected their leases, that so the same may be perfected to such as the city shall think meet, that so the said committee may not be further delayed in their proceedings by reason of the same:

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Order. Ordered, that if the within first six persons named, Leases. or any of them, do not take out their leases for their several lots within three weeks from the date hereof, the same are hereby declared then void as to their several proprietys; and so many of the said proprietors as do not in the said time take out their leases,

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Roll xix. m. 44. the same are hereby declared to be vested in the present committee of directors of the North Strand, to be lotted among themselves; and that to whomsoever of the said committee the said lots should fall, such person or persons to take out leases of the same; and that if Mr. Edmond Hoyle, or any authorized by him, do not take out his lot within the time above limited, that then Mr. Alderman Bolton, who gave his note of five pound fine for the same, be then at liberty to take out a lease in his own name, notice being given them in writing or left at their houses. 1718-19. Directors. Lots. Hoyle. Bolton.

[2.] On the petition of George Walton, city marshal, setting forth that at Christmas assembly, 1716, there was an order that the City Marshalsea should be finished with all convenient speed, and that his lease of the present Marshalsea was expired, and therefore prayed that the new Marshalsea might be completed for the advantage of the city and benefit of the prisoners in his custody: ordered that the work be carried on and finished with all speed. Walton, City Marshal. New Marshalsea.

[3.] On the memorial of Joshua Dawson,[1] esquire, setting forth that there is a considerable sum of money due to him of the purchase of the Lord Mayors house, and seeing the city has not thought fit to pay the principal, therefore prayed an order to pay him the interest to Christmas last: ordered that the interest be paid from the time the memorialists money became due, and interest for the future till the principal be paid. Dawson. Lord Mayor's house. Interest. Payment.

[4.] Charles Mathew, city scavenger, setting forth that last year he preferred his petition to be admitted scavenger for the south side of the river Liffey, at the salary of six hundred pounds for the year 1717, the same being refused by Mr. Edward Allen to undertake the same for less than eight hundred pounds; that the petitioner has been at two hundred pounds loss by Mathew, scavenger. Allen. Loss.

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[1] *See* vol. vi., p. 544.

1718-19. Horses. Carts. horses and carts, over and above his salary, and expended thirty five pounds and ten shillings cleansing streets that were not used to be cleansed heretofore, and others that were neglected by the former scavenger, and therefore prayed the citys consideration: ordered that the Payment. treasurer do pay to the petitioner the sum of thirty five pounds ten shillings, on the Lord Mayors warrant, the same to be allowed him on account. Roll xix. m. 84 b.

Worrall, distiller. [5.] Captain Joseph Worrall, setting forth that the city was pleased some years since to give him wherewithal to put him in a small way of distilling, whereby he poorly supported himself and family, till of late, being sick and confined to his bed, his servant through carelessness in the night time, by turning a cock the Loss. wrong way, lost all the spirits he had, by which means he is much reduced, and prayed the citys charity to support his unfortunate circumstances: ordered that the treasurer Grant. do, on the Lord Mayors warrant, pay to the petitioner twelve pounds, the same to be allowed on account.

Latouche. [6.] David Latouche, setting forth that the piece of m. 83.
Strand. ground or strand belonging to the city, between sir John Rogerson. Mercer. Rogersons Key and the late Mr. Mercers ground, having Sale. been put up to sale by public cant at five thousand pounds fine, five pounds per annum rent and capons, as the committee appointed for that purpose lately advertized, and no person appearing to bid for or purchase the same; he therefore proposes to be the Price. purchaser of the said city ground, at five thousand Rent. pounds fine, five pounds per annum rent, and capons yearly to the Lord Mayor, to be paid in manner as the said committee advertized, and therefore prayed a fee farm of the said Strand on the above proposals: ordered that the petitioner, Mr. David Latouche, be admitted purchaser of the said ground upon the terms aforesaid of paying five thousand pounds, according to the terms proposed by an act of the last assembly for setting up the said Strand at five thousand pounds, at the rent of

Roll xix. m. 83.

five pounds per annum, and capons to the Lord Mayor, and that the Recorder prepare deeds accordingly, provided no other person offers under his hand a greater sum for the said parcel of Strand or ground this present assembly. 1718-19.

[7.] Eliphal Dobson, senior, John Hyde, Richard Gunne, Robert Owen and Eliphal Dobson, junior, booksellers, setting forth that at the instance of several pious and charitable persons, and with the approbation of his grace the lord archbishop of Dublin, and others of eminent character and station, they have undertaken to print by subscriptions a good octavo edition of the Holy Bible in Dublin, according to the proposals and specimen for that purpose lately published, in such manner that subscribers may be furnished for pious use with ten thousand of the said Bibles, at the very prime cost of twenty pence a piece in sheets, or two shillings and four pence each bound, and therefore prayed that the city would encourage their printing the said edition, by subscriptions, for such a number as they should judge convenient: ordered that the Lord Mayor subscribe for one thousand books, for the use of the city, and that when the subscriptions are full, the treasurer do pay for the same, on the Lord Mayors warrant, and to be allowed him on his accounts, provided the said books be printed according to the annexed specimen. Booksellers. Archbishop of Dublin. Printing. Bible. Copies. Cost. City. Subscriptions. Payments. Specimen.

[8.] Mary Bentley, setting forth that she is the wife of Joseph Bentley, a freeman of Trinity Guild, whose father lost his life in the service of the city, and the place of city housekeeper becoming vacant by the death of Mrs. Lumley, prays to be admitted into that station: ordered that the petitioner be admitted housekeeper to the city of Dublin during the citys pleasure. Bentley. Trinity Guild. City housekeeper. Admission.

[9.] Certain of the commons, to inlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: granted. Assembly. Time.

[10.] Ellinor Graham, widow, setting forth that she is the widow of Patrick Graham, deceased, who was Graham.

1718-19. a freeman of this city, and lived in a plentiful condition Roll xix. m. 83.
Enniskillen. War. Petition. in the same, and served in Inniskillin in the late war in this kingdom, and therefore prays a yearly allowance m. 83 b. for the support of her and her children, or such other charity as shall be thought convenient: ordered that the
Grant. treasurer do, on the Lord Mayors warrant, pay the petitioner six pounds, the same to be allowed him on his accounts.

[11.] Certain of the commons setting forth that lately there was a bill preferred in his majesties high court of
Chancery. Richard Jones. chancery by Richard Jones, to which the city is made a party, and Mr. Recorder hath drawn an answer thereto for the said city, and therefore prayed that the same
City Seal. be put under the city seal as the answer of the Lord Mayor, Sherriffs, commons and citizens of this city: granted.

Hind, [12.] Captain John Hind, setting forth that by order of the right honourable the Lord Mayor, he drew out
Grenadiers. Lord Mayor's regiment. War. Spain. the company of granadeers of his Lordships regiment on the day the war was proclaimed between his majestie king George and the king of Spain, by which he was at the expence of seven pounds fourteen shillings and two pence, as by account, and therefore prayed an order to the treasurer to repay him the same: ordered that
Payment. the petitioner be paid the said sum of seven pounds fourteen shillings and two pence, on the Lord Mayors warrant, and the same be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Kirkwood. [13.] John Kirkwood, setting forth that the place of
Toll corn. the keeper of the toll corn being become vacant by the
Moland. death of Joseph Moland, and being willing to serve the city in the said imployment, being ready to give security for the discharge of his trust, and therefore prayed that
Appointment. the city would give him the said imployment: granted during the citys pleasure, giving good security, at twenty
Salary. five pounds per annum salary, payable half yearly, and the granary to remain in the Hospital as usual.

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[14, 15.] Samuel Cooper and Linegar Rogers, gentlemen, praying to be admitted city attornies: granted during citys pleasure. 1718-19. Cooper, Rogers, attornies.

[16.] Ashenhurst Isaac, goaler of Newgate, praying to be continued in his imployment: granted during the citys pleasure. Isaac. Newgate.

[17.] John Jones and Charles Craven, water bailiffs, praying to be continued in their imployments: granted during citys pleasure. Water bailiffs.

[18.] John Montgomery, officer at mace and commons, praying to be continued in his imployments: granted during the citys pleasure. Montgomery.

[19.] Christopher Rice, Edward Hodgson, John Lester, William Leech, and John Thompson, Greenwood Hannah, John Gill, John Charters and John Medcalfe, officers at mace, praying to be continued in their several imployments: granted during the citys pleasure. Officers at mace.

m. 82. [20.] Auditors of the city accounts for the last year: Lord Mayor, Sherriffs, sir John Rogerson, aldermen Walton, Stoyte, Pleasants, Mathew Pearson, Forbes, Surdevill, Cheatham, Porter; and eighteen of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any nine of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sherriffs to be always two, are appointed auditors of the city accounts for the last year: Auditors of City accounts.

[The eighteen of the commons:] Thomas Kirkwood, Joseph Kane, William Dobson, David King, James Stevenson, James Somervill, William Hendrick, William Melton, Thomas Thorne, Major Aldrich, John Hollyday, John Shaw, Richard Norton, John Lord, John Macarel, Robert Farrell, Edward Slicer, Thomas Coggin. Commons.

[21.] Alderman Reyson and Mr. Vincent Kidder, late Sherriffs, are appointed masters of the city works for the ensuing year. Masters of city works.

[22.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 16th January 1718[-19]: Ballast Office.

1718-19. Ballast Office. 'We acquainted your honours in our report to last assembly how far we had proceeded in piling on the South Bull, and that the storms had done some small damage to the said work, since which we have repaired the said damage and secured the said piles, by bracing, planking and filling between them, so that we hope they will answer the end proposed for the public good; that we have but few piles now by us, and those but short lengths, but have agreed for one hundred tuns of long piles from Wales, which lie ready at the water side, and are obliged to pay for the same when shipped, which with the freight will amount to about £300, and do expect the same in a little time:' ordered to proceed as the season permits. Roll xix. m. 82.

Wales.

'The necessity of the Office obliged us last assembly to lay before your honours that we had then laid out towards building the walls of the City Key, £748 7s. 7d., since which we have paid and are obliged to pay for building the back wall the farther sum of £121 13s. 0½d., so that all the charge of the said walls only amounts to £870 0s. 7½d. over and above £771 18s. 4d. already expended in filling the City Kay, besides wear and tear, and the said Kay not yet filled; all which sums have been laid out from time to time by your honours directions for the citys use, upon promise of being repaid the same when the necessity of the Office required it:' ordered that the sum of eight hundred seventy pounds seven pence halfpenny for building the city wall, including the sum that was ordered last assembly, be paid to the orders of the directors of the Ballast Office by the city treasurer:

City Quay.

Walls.

Expenditure.

Repayment.

'Now, in regard that the expending of the aforesaid sums for the city use is the only reason why the Office is so much indebted to several poor tradesmen for work done and materials already delivered, videlicet, £904 6s. 11d., besides £300 for the aforesaid timber, which we expect every day from Wales, in all amounting

Tradesmen.

Timber.

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Reimbursement.

to £1,204 6s. 11d., as per schedule hereunto annexed; therefore we humbly hope your honours will consider of some way to reimburse the said Office with such a sum as will enable them to pay the aforesaid debts with speed, which has been too long due already, otherwise it will not only be the ruin of many poor tradesmen, but will also sink the credit of the Office and put a stop to the public work, which has hitherto been carried on so successfully for the public good of trade.

'An abstract of the cash now in the Office is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to this honorable assembly.

'We pray to have an alderman in the room of alderman Somervill:—alderman Barkey in the room of alderman Somerville:

'Thomas Bolton.—Mathew Pearson.—Thomas Curtis.—Edward Surdeville.—John Porter.—Peter Verdoen.—Thomas Gledstanes.—Joseph Kane.—William Empson.—Thomas Corker.—James Somervell.—James King.—Thomas Thorne.—William Milton.'

An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 16th day of October, 1718, exclusive, to the 15th day of January, 1718[-19], inclusive.

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
To balance of accounts to the 16th of October last, inclusive ...	20	14	6¼	By sundry disbursements on the Office account, from the 16th of October last, exclusive, to the 15th inst., inclusive ...	525	11	4¼
To cash received since from ships, etc.	556	12	9¼	By money expended on the walls of the City Kay since October 16th, exclusive	76	9	6
To cash received from Messrs. Burton and Harrison ...	100	0	0	Expended in backing and filling the same since that time ...	43	1	3
Total	677	7	4¼				
Deduct	645	2	3¼				
Balance	32	5	0	Total	£643	2	3
N.B.—For the City Kay walls there is due—							
To sir John Rogerson for lime ...	17	6	0				
To Mr. Cuningham for do. ...	27	17	0				
Total	£45	3	0				

m. 85. Admissions to franchise. Franchise.

1718-19. 1718-19. March 3. Roll xix. m. 81.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that by act
Strand. of last assembly the city Strand between sir John
Sale. Rogersons and the late Mr. Mercers ground was sold to
Latouche. Mr. David Latouche for five thousand pounds, which if paid in was thought would discharge the debts of the
Brooks. city, but captain Brooks laying a claim to the same has
Chancery. filed a bill in his majesties high court of chancery against the city, by which means the payment of the said five thousand pounds is deferred; that there is owing to the
Ballast Office. Ballast Office from the city eight hundred seventy
Debt. pounds seven pence half penny, for building the city
Wall. wall, etc., which was ordered to be paid the last assembly; the City Marshalsea was also ordered to be finished; that the said Office is considerably indebted to several people for necessarys, and is not in cash to discharge them if the money due to the said Office from the city
Marshalsea. be not paid; that the said Marshalsea remains unfinished for want of money to go on with the work, and it is hoped that one thousand pounds would pay the Ballast
Blue Coat Hospital. Office and finish the Marshalsea, which sum the Blew Coat Hospital have by them, and it is thought will lay the same out at interest, and therefore prayed that the said sum of one thousand pounds be borrowed at six pounds per cent. per annum from the said Hospital, on the city seal, for the uses aforesaid: ordered that the
Loan. sum of one thousand pounds, sterling, be borrowed on
Interest. the city seal, at six pounds per centum per annum, from the Blew boys Hospital, the interest to commence from the twenty fifth of March, instant, and to be paid half yearly by the treasurer; the said sum of one thousand pounds to be applied to the uses in the within petition mentioned.

Scriven. [2.] On the petition of William Scriven, setting forth
Butler, sword bearer. that Mr. Edward Butler, present sword bearer, has another imployment which obliges him frequently to go out of town, and is desirous to surrender the said

Roll xix. m. 81. imploy of sword bearer; that the petitioner being a freeman and inhabitant of this city, and the son and grandson of antient freemen of the same, is desirous to become a servant to the city, and prayed to be confirmed in the said imploy of sword bearer on the said Butlers surrender: granted during the citys pleasure, with the usual salary and perquisits. 1718-19. Grant.

m. 88. 1719. April 10.—Second Friday after Easter.[1] 1719.

[1.] Daniel Cooke, clerk to the right honourable William Quayle, esquire, Lord Mayor, setting forth that it is very apparent that the burthen of the office of Lord Mayor of this city is much greater than heretofore, occasioned by the several acts of parliaments made in relation to this city for the better regulation thereof; that the expence and charge with which the Mayoralty is of late attended is more than formerly, the lord lieutenant[2] residing here this summer, and the meeting of the parliament will considerably increase the expence of the Mayoralty, and therefore prays an augmentation: ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayors warrant, pay to the petitioner, for his Lordships use, the sum of four hundred pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. William Quayle, Lord Mayor. Expenses. Acts of Parliament. Lord lieutenant. Residence. Parliament. Augmentation. Payment.

[2.] Jacob Peppard, esquire, clerk, setting forth that Percival Hunt and Charles Hendrick, esquires, present Sheriffs, since their entering into the said office and since they undertook the same, their time had been wholly taken up in discharge thereof, whereby their private affairs have very much suffered; that it is very apparent what great expence the said Sherriffs have been and now are at, and a great part of their income arising by that office been much lessened by virtue of a late act of parliament, so that it cannot now near defray half their charge and therefore prays an allowance: ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayors warrant, pay the Peppard. Hunt, Hendrick, Sheriffs. Expenses.

[1] Easter day, 29 March, 1719. [2] Charles Paulet, duke of Bolton.

1719. Allowance. petitioner for the use of the Sherriffs two hundred pounds, videlicet, one hundred pounds to each, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Roll xix. m. 88.

Chairs. Lord Mayor's room. [3.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that there are chairs very much wanting in the Lord Mayors room and the big room, the present chairs being very old and almost rendered useless, and therefore pray that chairs be made for the said rooms at the expence of the city: ordered that the Lord Mayor and Sherriffs do dispose of the old chairs, and to buy new ones such and so many as will be requisite for both rooms.

Jennings. Noyse. [4.] Elizabeth Jennings, alias Noyse, setting forth that she is reduced to extreme necessitys, and forasmuch as she is the widow of one who fined for Sherriff, prays Allowance. charity: ordered that the petitioner be paid five pounds per annum half yearly, to commence from Lady day last, during the citys pleasure.

Walton, City Marshal. [5.] George Walton, city marshal, setting forth that the committee to whom his petition was referred have made their report, and are of opinion that he should pay Rent. eighty pounds, sterling, per annum rent for the new Marshalsea. Marshalsea, and thinks the same too great a rent, and prays to have an abatement of the same: whereupon it Lease. is ordered that the petitioner have a lease of the above Marshalsea during his continuance in the imploy of city marshal, at the yearly rent of eighty pounds, payable half yearly, and in regard the house is green and new, the rent to commence from the twenty fourth day of June, Wainscot. 1720, and that he sufficiently wainscot one room in the street house of the said Marshalsea at his own proper cost before the said twenty fourth of June, and that a lease be perfected with such clauses as Mr. Recorder shall advise, and that the committee be continued. m. 88 b.

Wallace. [6.] John Wallace, merchant, setting forth that he has been a creditable dealer in this city and bore all the Guild of merchants. offices in the Guild of merchants, and had been a common councilman of this city; that by loss in trade and by

Roll xix. m. 88 b.

means of other misfortunes is become an object of the citys charity, and therefore prays an allowance to support him: ordered that the petitioner be allowed ten pounds per annum, to commence the twenty fifth of March last, to be paid half yearly during the citys pleasure, and allowed the treasurer on his accounts, and that he be paid ten pounds down over and above the said allowance. 1719. Charity. Allowance.

[7.] Certain commons praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: ordered accordingly. Assembly. Time.

[8.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 10th of April, 1719: Ballast Office.

'Since our last report to this honourable assembly the season of the year has not permitted us to make any farther progress in the work of piling on the South Bull; but now the summer is advancing we have ordered the engines to be forthwith repaired, and do very speedily expect the timber from Wales, which was formerly agreed for, as reported to your honours, there being a ship already hired for that purpose:' ordered to proceed as money comes in. Report. South Bull. Engines. Timber. Wales.

'The City Keay is now completely filled up, and has cost, since last assembly, seventy seven pounds nine shillings and six pence, besides what was formerly expended by the Office in filling the same, in all amounting to eight hundred forty nine pounds, seven shillings and ten pence. If your honours think fit to order payment of the said sum, or part thereof, it would enable us to carry on the said work of piling with more expedition, which would not only be for the good of the public trade and safety of ships lying in the channel, but also enable the Office to pay the remaining part of their debts.' City Quay. Cost.

m. 87. 'An abstract of the cash now in the Office is hereunto annexed: all which is humbly submitted to this honourable assembly:

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'Thomas Bolton.—Mathew Pearson.—John Porter.—James Stevenson.—Joseph Kane.—Thomas Curtis.—Peter Verdoen.—Thomas Corker.—James King.—William Milton.—Thomas Stringer.—William Empson.—James Somervell.' Roll xix. m. 87.

An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 15th day of January, 1718-19, exclusive, to the 9th of April, 1719, inclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s	d.	Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
To balance of accounts to the 15th of January, 1718-19, inclusive	32	0	5½	By sundry disbursements on the Office accounts, from the 15th day of January, 1718-19, exclusive, to the 9th of April, inclusive	899	0	11½
To cash received since from ships, etc.	488	11	5½	By money expended on the city walls since the 13th January, inclusive	45	3	4
To cash received on the city account	870	0	7½	Expended in backing and filling the same	77	9	6
Total	1390	12	6½				
Deduct	1021	13	9½				
Balance in cash ...	£368	18	9	Total ...	£1021	13	9½

Note:—There is a large parcel of timber from Wales to be paid for, besides other debts due from the Office, which will come to much more money than the above balance.

1719. May 12. m. 86.

Nelson. [1.] James Nelson, carpenter, setting forth that the place of assistant to the masters of the city works is vacant by the death of Mr. Richard Mills, and prays to be admitted in his place: granted during the citys pleasure, at the salary of forty pounds per annum.

Mills.

Appointment.

Tanner, Drum major. [2.] William Tanner, praying to be admitted drum major to the city: granted, with the usual salary and perquisites.

Thomson. [3.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that Mr. John Thomson, a freeman, is the only living witness to a lease to be produced soon on the trial of an issue between the city and Mr. Richard Jones for the Old Crane, and pray that he may be disfranchised till after said trial: granted that the said John Thomson be and is hereby disfranchised.

Trial.

Old Crane.

Disfranchisement.

Roll xix. m. 92.

1719. July 17.—Fourth Friday after 24 June. 1719.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the inhabitants of this city are put to great streights most of the year for want of water, and that of late it is found that what water they have is not wholesome by reason of a paper mill and tucking mill, which are built on the river, which should supply the inhabitants of this city, and therefore pray that some expedient may be found out for the better supply of water and the prevention of the filth which at present comes into it, which must prove fatal to the inhabitants, and that Mr. Recorder and Mr. Alderman Burton may be impowered to apply to the present parliament in behalf of this city, in order to procure an act for the better supplying the city of Dublin with plenty of water and to prevent the corrupting thereof: Granted.—Allowed. Want of water. Mill. Supply. Parliament.

[2.] Thomas Wall, praying to be admitted one of the attorneys of the Tholsel court: granted during the citys pleasure. Wall. Tholsel court.

[3.] Samuel Ord, setting forth that he has lived in this city these forty years past, and almost as long been free of the same; that some time since he became bound for fifty pounds for some people who have since failed, and his salary goes towards the payment thereof, and is now in execution for a debt of about eleven pounds, and therefore prays the citys charity towards relieving him: ordered that the treasurer pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayors warrant, the sum of fifteen pounds, to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Ord. Freeman. Debt. Grant.

[4.] Charles Mathew, setting forth that in the year 1717 he petitioned to serve as scavenger in the room of Mr. Allen, at £600 per annum, and the citys further consideration, and did serve accordingly; that he is not now able to undertake the business without further consideration by reason the carriage of the dirt is become much greater than formerly it was, and therefore prays a further augmentation: ordered that the petitioner be Mathew, scavenger. Augmentation.

1719. continued city scavenger for the south side of the river Liffy for one year, to commence from All Saints next, at seven hundred pounds, he entering into such articles as Mr. Recorder shall advise. Roll xix. m. 92.

Pilkington. scavenger. [5.] Thomas Pilkington, setting forth that he is scavenger for that part of the city on the north side of Liffey. the River Anna Liffy, which daily increasing causes the work to be far greater; that he has been obliged all this Streets. year to cleanse the streets oftener than formerly, which he cannot possibly do without an augmentation of his salary: ordered that the petitioner be continued city Oxmantown. scavenger for Oxmantown side for one year, to commence Salary. from All Saints next, at the salary of three hundred and twenty pounds, he entering into articles to perform the work, with such clauses as Mr. Recorder shall advise. m. 92 b.

Howison. [6.] James Howison, gentleman, having formerly Lease. petitioned that this honourable city did grant a lease to Parsons, Colganstown. Kingwood. sir William Parsons of the lands of Colganstown and Kingwood, containing one hundred and six acres, for the term of one hundred years, commencing Easter, 1621, at six pounds fifteen shillings per annum; that the said Viscount Rosse. lands were set by Richard lord viscount Rosse, Arthur Parsons and William Parsons, unto Thomas Arthur, for the term of forty one years, from the 1st day of May, 1682, and that the right of the said lease is by mesne assignments come to the petitioner, who is in possession of the same, and that there remains about four years of the said term unexpired; that notwithstanding the petitioner hath been at a very great expence in repairing Houses. the dwelling house and out houses on the said premises, yet by reason of their long standing they are at present in a very ruinous condition and ready to fall, unless some encouragement be given to your petitioner by your honours to rebuild the same, which your petitioner is desirous to do if thereunto encouraged by your Committee. honours; which petition was referred to a committee, who made the following report:

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'Pursuant to the order of last assembly to us directed, we, the above committee, have considered the contents of the within petition, and in regard that the petitioner is an improving tenant and laid out considerable sums of money in repairing the premises which are come to him by mesne assignments: we are of opinion that the said petitioner have a lease of the said premises, containing one hundred sixty seven acres three roods, as described by the annexed map, for the term of ninety nine years, to commence from Easter, 1721, at the yearly rent of fifty pounds, sterling, to be paid half yearly on every Michaelmas and Easter, with capons to the Lord Mayor for the time being, and ten shillings to the Poor house, for the use of the poor, on perfection of the leases: which we submit to your honours this 12th March, 1718:' 1719. Report. Lease. Map.

And the petitioner having this assembly prayed that the said report may be confirmed and made an act of this assembly:

Ordered that the petitioner have a lease pursuant to the within report, and that he be obliged to indemnify the city from all suits that may arise on account of the said premises or any part thereof, with such other clauses as Mr. Recorder shall advise. Grant.

[7.] Richard West, Gilbert Kelly, Mathew Bowen and Henry Pym, setting forth that they have employed a considerable part of their time in a strict observance of their duty in the service of the said regiments as adjutants, and hoping such their services have been equally agreeable to the city, and therefore pray a gratuity for such their services: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayors warrant, do pay the petitioners twenty pounds, sterling, videlicet, five pounds to each, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Regiments. Adjutants m. 91. Payment.

[8.] Alexander Kane, setting forth that he lived in Kane.

1719. good repute and credit in this city, but by many casualties and misfortunes he is reduced to extreme Roll xix. m. 91 δ.

Allowance. poverty, and therefore prays an additional allowance: ordered that the petitioner be allowed forty shillings per annum over and above the present allowance of four pounds per annum during the citys pleasure, to commence from Easter last.

Assembly. [9.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: granted.

Usher. [10.] Lettice Usher, widow of William Usher, late of this city of Dublin, esquire, deceased, setting forth that

Lease. in Midsummer assembly, 1709, the city granted a lease

Donny-brook. to her said husband of some land near Donnybrook, in the county of the city of Dublin, for lives renewable for ever, at the yearly rent of twenty pounds for the first nine years, and one hundred pounds per annum after, and half a years rent on the fall of every life; and the petitioners said husband being one of the lives for which the said lease was granted is lately dead, and she therefore prays that Henry Usher, second son of the said William Usher, be added as a life instead of the said

Grant. William Usher, deceased: granted that the life be inserted pursuant to the lease.

Usher. [11.] The same Lettice Usher, setting forth that in Christmas assembly, 1710, the city granted a lease to the

Cook-street. petitioners said husband of some ground in Cook street,

Rent. for lives renewable for ever, at the yearly rent of one pound ten shillings for the first three years, and nine pounds per annum after, and half a years rent on the fall of every life; and the petitioners said husband being one of the lives for which the said lease was granted is lately dead, and [she] therefore prays that Henry Usher, second son of the said William Usher, be added as a life

Grant. instead of the said William Usher, deceased: granted that the life be inserted pursuant to the lease.

[12.] The minister, churchwardens and parishioners

Roll xix. m. 91. of the parish of Saint Pauls, setting forth that by former petition the city of Dublin gave the ground to build a church for the said parish, but that there is neither chancel or vestry room to the said church, which is found to be very inconvenient; that the minister, churchwardens and parishioners, at a vestry held Easter last, agreed to build a chancel and vestry room to the said parish church, and to a draft made thereof, provided they may have the consent and approbation of the city, in regard the vestry room will go nine foot without the wall of the said church, and cannot be conveniently placed in any other part; and whereas it is very inconvenient to the parishioners in bad weather to go from their coaches into the said church, they humbly pray the m. 91 b. city to allow them to make two gates with a sweep, that they may go in their coaches to the church door, which petition was referred to a committee, who made the following report:

1719. Parish of St. Paul. Church. Building. Gates. Coaches. Petition.

'Pursuant to the above order we, the committee, have examined the within petition, and are of opinion that the petitioners have for the use of the within [named] parish nine foot in breadth into the north walk, and sixteen foot in length at the east end of the church, to build a vestry room on, and that they have liberty of a sweep for coaches to turn in, provided they build walls on the east and west ends of the church from the church-yard wall to the street wall, and making turnstiles with sufficient grates, to be kept in order and repair by the parish; and that the said parish, in consideration of the said ground and liberty aforesaid, be obliged to continue the seats which the boys of the Blew coat Hospital use to them for the future; which we submit to your honours, this 2nd June, 1719.' Petition.] Turnstiles. Seats. Blue coat Hospital.

The minister, churchwardens and parishioners of the parish of Saint Pauls, setting forth that the committee to whom the contents of the within petition

1719. were referred made the annexed report, and therefore pray the city to confirm the said report and make it an act of assembly: Roll xix. m. 91 b.

Grant. Ordered that the petitioners have a grant pursuant to the report of the committee.

Franchise. [13.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that it hath been customary for this city to present the secretary of

Secretary of State. State with the freedom of the same in a silver box; that the right honourable Edward Webster, esquire, principal secretary of State, hath not as yet received that compli-

Prescription. ment, and therefore pray that he be presented with

Silver box. Webster. his freedom accordingly: granted that Mr. Secretary Webster be presented with his freedom in a silver box as usual.

Moore. [14.] Mark Moore, setting forth that he is the son of a freeman of this city, and himself a freeman thereof;

Hodgeon, officer at mace. that Edward Hodgeon, one of the officers at mace, is about to dispose of his said place to the petitioner if the city shall think fit; that the petitioner is a person very well qualified for the said employ, and has sufficient security to give the city for the true performance of the same, and therefore prays the city to grant him the said place of officer at mace upon the surrender of the said Edward Hodgeon: ordered that on the surrender of

Admission. Edward Hodgeon the petitioner be admitted one of the officers at mace during the citys pleasure, he giving sufficient security to save the city harmless.

[15.] The report of the committee of directors for the

Ballast Office. Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 17th of July, 1719:

Report. 'Since the season of the year has presented, we have

Piles. employed both our engines in the work of piling on the

South Bull. South Bull, the larger at the East end, and the lesser on the West end of those piles formerly driven, with some

Timber. timber we had by us, and about twenty tuns more we have since brought here:' ordered to proceed.—Allowed.

Roll xix. m. 90.

'The timber for piling which we formerly reported to your honours that we expected from Wales is not yet arrived, but we have sent a ship there in order to bring over part of the same, and have an account that forty tuns thereof is already shipped on board the said vessel for that purpose, which we expect by the first fair wind. 1719. Ballast Office. Wales.

'The Ballast Office boat being old and leaky, there is an absolute necessity for the building a new one, that may be something broader and stronger than our present boat is, in order to carry sail the better in bad weather; and when the said new boat is built, that the old one may be sold to the best advantage of the Office: ordered that a new boat be built and the old sold.'—Allowed. Boat. Building

'We report to your honours that Mr. Hacken being this considerable time past out of this kingdom, and his family being also removed, and good part of the furniture of the room where always the committee meet hath also been removed, and the committee not being assured of a time in the said Office, but perhaps may be stinted some time or other for the time to come; and whereas Mr. Sherriff Hendrick doth propose to set a concern of his for an office which is very near to the present office, which we humbly conceive may be very fit for that purpose, if your honours do think proper his proposals for the same, we refer to the said Sherriffs petition to your honours:' referred to Mr. Fortunes petition in behalf of the Sherriff in relation to said house.—Allowed. Hacken. Removal. Room. Hendrick.

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to this honourable assembly:

'Thomas Bolton.—Mathew Pearson.—Thomas Curtis.—Daniel Falkiner.—Edward Surdevill.—John Porter.—Thomas Corker.—James King.—James Somervell.—William Milton.—Thomas Stringer.'

1719. Ballast Office. An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 9th day of April, 1719, exclusive, to the 16th day of July, 1719, inclusive: Roll xix. m. 90.

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
To balance of accounts to the 9th day of April, 1719, inclusive	368	18	9	By sundry disbursements on the Office account, from th 9th day of April, 1719, exclusive, to the 16th day o July, 1719, inclusive	763	19	8½
To cash received since from shipping, etc.	877	0	4				
Total	1245	19	1				
Deduct	763	19	8½				
Balance in cash ...	£481	19	4½				

Note: There is a considerable quantity of timber daily expected, which when paid for will considerably sink the above balance.

Franchise. Admissions to franchise. m. 93.

1719. August 17.

Certain of the commons, setting forth that there is opposition made to some acts of Parliament at the Council Board relating to the city, particularly that about the water with which the city is supplied, and it is feared that application may be made in England in opposition to the said act relating to the city water; and therefore prayed that some proper person or persons, as the Lord Mayor, Mr. Recorder and Sherriffs shall approve of, be imployed to solicit here or in England, on behalf of the city, for the passing of the act relating to the city water or water course, at the charge of the city. m. 90 b.

City water supply.

Act of Parliament.

1719. August 21.

Aldrich. Cuming. William Aldrich and Hugh Cuming, merchants, setting forth that they have been for some time past at a great expence in repairing the old and supplying new lanthorns and irons for the city lights, in order to their being ready by the first of September next, and propose to put up the said lanthorns and lights, by the said first

City lights.

Roll xix. m. 90 b.

of September, and continue lighting them until the fifteenth of April following, in all dark nights from an hour after sunset till two o'clock in the morning, and on all other nights when the moon shall not be up; and pray the said lights may be granted them for the now ensuing year: ordered that the petitioners have a grant of the city lights pursuant to their petition, and that the petitioners be obliged to deliver to the city, or to whom they shall appoint, all the lanthorns, lamps and irons in good repair, the first of May next, and that they enter into articles for performance of the same as Mr. Recorder shall advise, and that the petitioners give an account on the first of November next of all such lights as are put up within the city and liberties thereof, and the same to be on oath if required.

1719. Nights. Hours. Grant.

m. 96.

1719. October 16.—Third Friday after 29 September.

Lord Mayor: Thomas Wilkinson; Sheriffs: William Milton and Daniel Falkiner.

[1.] Robert Fortune, clerk to the right honourable the Lord Mayor, setting forth that his Lordship being elected into the Mayoraltie of this city for this present year will be at great expence to support the dignity of the same, and therefore prays the usual allowance: ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayors warrant, pay to the petitioner, for his Lordships use, the sum of five hundred pounds, sterling, one moietie to be paid at Christmas next and the other moietie at Midsummer next, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Mayoralty. Payment.

[2.] Robert Fortune, setting forth that he has attended the Lord Mayor and commissioners of array as clerk in taking out commissions for the several officers, and in arraying and swearing the militia of foot, and therefore prays a consideration: ordered that the treasurer pay the petitioner, for his own proper use, ten pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Fortune. Commissioners of array. Militia. Grant.

1719. Wybrants. Registry of acts of Assembly.

[3.] Bartholomew Wybrants, praying a consideration for keeping a registry of all acts of assembly for the commons: ordered that the treasurer do pay the petitioner, on my Lord Mayors warrant, ten pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed him on his accounts. Roll xix. m. 96.

Elwood.

[4.] David Elwood, praying the citys consideration for standing by the citys rights against James, lord viscount Lanesborough: ordered that the treasurer, on my Lord Mayors warrant, pay the petitioner six pounds, the same to be allowed on account.

Viscount Lanesborough.

Work. Mills. Accounts.

[5.] Certain of the commons having formerly petitioned that for some time past there has been work done by several persons for the citys use who agreed with Mr. Mills, now deceased, for the prices thereof; that the accounts of the said work cannot be properly settled or stated by the assistant to the masters of the city works for the reason aforesaid, and therefore prayed that a committee be appointed to inspect into the said accounts, and a committee was accordingly [appointed], who made the following report:

Payments.

'That Mr. John Evans, executor of his father, Ralph Evans, be paid twenty pounds in full of the balance of his account for brick and stone work done by the said Ralph for the use of the city, the said John Evans giving a receipt in full:

'Similar recommendations for payments as follow:

'Jonathan Hattin, slater, £22.

'Edward Exshaw, for painting, £116.

'Simon Anyon and William Byrne, executors of Henry Lee, deceased, for 169,000 bricks and one load of bricks, used in and about the City Marshalsea and house thereto belonging, £118 7s.

'John Taylor, carpenter, for carpenters work, £53 18s. 6d. m. 96 b.

'Peter Burnett, for bricklayers work at City Marshalsea, £4 5s. 7d.

'John Oates, for iron hoops and iron work, £5 4s. 6d.

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'Patrick Mathews, for boring of pipes, £30 5s. 5d. 1719.

'Robert Greenway, smith, £28.

'Whereas Robert Sheppard, stone cutters, bill amounts to six pounds seventeen shillings and eight pence, wherein he charges five pounds for a Kilkenny black marble stone with the city arms carved thereon, agreed for by Mr. Mills, which at present is not allowed him, and refer the same to your honours further direction: that the said Sheppard be now paid one pound seventeen shillings in full for the remainder of the said bill: all which we submit to your honours, this 17th day of September, 1719; the several accounts are hereto annexed:' Kilkenny marble.

And the said commons having now petitioned that the said report be confirmed and made an act of assembly: ordered that the said report be confirmed, and that the several persons therein mentioned be paid as the said committee have directed, on the Lord Mayors warrant, by the treasurer, the same to be allowed him on his accounts. Payments.

[6.] Certain of the commons, praying that the assembly be enlarged till nine o'clock; granted. Assembly.

[7, 8.] Nicholas White and John Walker, praying to be admitted city attornies: granted during citys pleasure. City attornies.

[9.] Jeremiah Pepyat, city printer and stationer, having petitioned and set forth that the committee to whom his former petition was referred have reported that he be paid fifty four pounds eleven shillings, sterling, and therefore now prays that the same be confirmed and made an act of assembly: ordered that the petitioner be paid fifty four pounds eleven shillings, sterling, on the Lord Mayors warrant, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Pepyat, City printer.

[10.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the standing committee for St. Stephens Green have made the following report: St. Stephen's Green.

'We, the standing committee for St. Stephens Green,

1719. Belford. Work. Wages. having viewed and examined the several accounts produced by Robert Belford for the hire of labouring men, find that the said Belford hired labourers to work in the said Green for ten pence per day, and in his accounts he charged the city and received for each labourer twelve pence per day, which fraud plainly appeared to us on a full examination of most of the said labourers on oath, and by some affidavits which we submit to your honours, this 15th day of October, 1719, and the said commons praying the same may be taken into consideration and an order made thereon:' ordered that Robert Belford, in the report mentioned, be discharged from this time from the service of the city. Roll xix. m. 96 *b*.

[11.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 16th October, 1719: Ballast Office.

'We have proceeded in the work of pileing on the South Bull as long as the season of the year would permit, and are now planking, bracing and filling between them, in order to secure them for this winter:' ordered to proceed. Report. South Bull.

'We have received of the one hundred tuns of timber, formerly agreed for in Wales, thirty two tuns and a half, but expect more from thence soon, having sent a ship there for that purpose. Timber.

'According to your honours orders of last assembly, we have contracted with Mr. Charles Hendrick for a house in Essex Street to keep our office in, at the yearly rent of thirty six pounds per annum, for twenty one years, with a clause of surrender at the end of seven or fourteen years, first giving a years notice; the said Hendrick being obliged to build us a warehouse and make all other conveniences for the use of the said office, which are now near finished, and shall soon remove the said office thither; as to the remaining part of the said house which the office has no occasion for, Mr. Henry Glegg is under the same obligations to Essex street. Office.

Roll xix. m 96 b. pay the office eight pounds per annum of the said rent over and above all taxes and repairs of the whole house, and to keep a servant to make fires and clean the rooms held by the said committee, as occasion shall require, so that the said office is more convenient than the former was, and but at the same rent, being twenty eight pounds per annum, to be paid half yearly and to commence next All Saints: agreed, and that the Ballast master take a lease according to the report for the use of the Ballast Office, and that the city do indemnify him; and Mr. Glegg to have a lease according to the report. 1719. Ballast master.

'Pursuant to your honours orders of last assembly, we are building a new boat and expect it will soon be finished:

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to this honourable assembly:

'Thomas Bolton.—Mathew Pearson.—Thomas Curtis.—Edward Surdevill.—John Porter.—Peter Verdoen.—Thomas Corker.—James Stevenson.—James King.—Joseph Keane.—Thomas Stringer.—William Empson.'

m. 95 b. An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 9th of April, 1719, exclusive, to the 15th day of October, 1719, inclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.
To balance of accounts to the 9th day of April, 1719, inclusive	481	19	4½
To cash received since, to the 15th instant, inclusive	881	18	5
Total	1363	17	9½
Deduct	913	2	0
	£450	15	9½

N.B.—There are considerable debts due from the Office, which will sink all or most of the above balance.

Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
By sundry disbursements on the Office account, from the 9th day of April, 1719, exclusive, to the 15th instant, inclusive	£913	2	0

1719. Auditors. [12.] Auditors of the city accounts for the last year: Lord Mayor and Sherriffs, sir John Rogerson, Aldermen Walton, Stoyte, Mathew Pearson, Bolton, Surdevill Curtis, Pleasant, Reyson and eighteen of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any nine of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sherriffs to be always two, are appointed auditors of the city accounts for the last year. Roll xix. m. 95 *b*.

Commons. [The eighteen of the commons :] Joseph Kane, William Dobson, Humphry French, Peter Verdoen, William Empson, Vincent Kidder, James Stevenson, Thomas Gledstaines, John Shaw, Thomas Corker, Hugh Cuming, William Walker, Henry Burrows, William Hendrick, Edward Dudgeon, Richard Norton, Joseph Walker, James Esdall.

Masters of works. [13.] Percival Hunt and Charles Hendrick, late Sheriffs, are appointed masters of the city works for the ensuing year.

Franchise. Admissions to franchise. m. 97.

1719. November 10. m. 94.

Certain of the commons setting forth that some time since there was a bill preferred in his majesties high court of chancery by Dockwra Brooks, esquire, against the city and Mr. David Latouch; that Mr. Recorder hath drawn an answer thereto for the said city, which is now ingrossed and ready for the city seal, and therefore pray that the same may be put under the city seal as the answer of the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, commons and citizens of this city: granted, and that the suit be prosecuted at the city charge as Mr. Recorder shall advise.

Brooks. Latouch.

1719-20. 1719-20. January 22.—Fourth Friday after 25th December, 1719. m 100.

Stevens. [1.] The trustees appointed by doctor Richard Stevens, deceased, and Mrs. Grizell Stevens, for erecting and

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endowing an hospital within the liberties of the city of Dublin for the cure of poor distressed persons, having petitioned, and setting forth that the said doctor Stevens did by his last will vest his estate of inheritance to the yearly value of six hundred pounds in some of the trustees after the decease of the said Mrs. Grizell Stevens, the said doctors sister, to be applied to the use aforesaid, and that the said Mrs. Grizell Stevens, being desirous to see her brothers charitable design take effect in her lifetime, hath not only promised to endow the said Hospital so soon as it is built, with three hundred pounds per annum, but has actually given two thousand five hundred pounds towards the building thereof, and intends further to contribute so long as she liveth, having by deed appointed the petitioners trustees for the management thereof; that the petitioners, in order to hasten so useful and charitable a work, have purchased a piece of ground from sir Samuel Cooke to build the said Hospital on, lying between the road leading from St. James's Street to Bow Bridge and Christ Church meadows; that sir Samuel Cooke has obliged himself to open a street of thirty foot wide from the end of St. James's Street through ground belonging to him, to part of the said ground whereon the said Hospital is designed to be built, so soon as a street of the same breadth shall be opened from the said ground through Christ Church meadows to the river Liffy, with a passage across the said river either by a bridge or ferry; that they obtained leave from Henry Temple, esquire, to open and enclose a street thirty foot wide through the said meadows to the said river, which can be but of little use without such passage across the said river from the said street to the north side of the said river, and therefore pray a grant of a ferry across the said river till such time as the city shall think fit to allow a bridge to be built, and also a grant of such profits as may arise from the said ferry for the use of the said Hospital;

1719-20.
Hospital.
Trustees.
Ground.
Cooke.
St. James' street.
Christ Church meadow.
Liffey.
Bridge.
Ferry.
Henry Temple.
Profits.

1719-20. which petition was referred to a committee, who made the following report: Roll xix. m. 100.

Report. 'Pursuant to your honours order of the last assembly to examine and report on the petition of the trustees appointed by Dr. Richard Stevens, deceased, and Mrs. Grizell Stevens, for erecting and endowing an Hospital within the liberties of the city of Dublin for the cure of poor distressed persons, and praying a grant of a ferry across the river Liffy, and the profits thereof to be applied to the use of the said hospital, we, the committee, have viewed the ground alleged to be purchased from sir Samuel Cooke to build the said hospital on, which is pursuant to the annexed map, leading from St. James's street to Bow Bridge and Christ Church meadows, and are of opinion that if sir Samuel Cooke will oblige himself to open a street of thirty foot wide from the end of James's Street through ground now belonging to him, to part of the said ground where the said hospital is designed to be built, and also as soon as a street of the same breadth shall be opened from the said ground through Christ Church meadows to the river Liffy, that a ferry be granted to the petitioners for the term of twenty one years at six shillings and eight pence per annum to the city, and the rents, issues and profits thereof to and for the use of the said hospital; all which is humbly submitted, etc.'

Stevens. Hospital.

Map.

Liffey.

m. 100 b.

And the petitioners having this assembly petitioned to have such order thereon as by the assembly should be thought fit, it was thereupon ordered that a ferry be granted to the petitioners for twenty one years for the use of the hospital, and at six shillings and eight pence per annum rent to the city, with capons to the Lord Mayor for the time being, and the committee to ascertain the slips on the south side the river Liffy for the said ferry, and such other clauses as Mr. Recorder shall advise.

Grant.

Ferry.

Slips.

O'Hara. [2.] Charles O'Hara, esquire, eldest son and heir of

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Kean O'Hara, esquire, deceased, by his mother and 1719-20.
guardian, Ellinor O'Hara, widow, relict and sole executrix of the said Kean O'Hara, having petitioned and set forth that the city, by their lease, dated the twenty first day of July, 1704, did demise to the said Kean O'Hara the mills commonly called Dames Mills, and the Dames mills
ground and premises whereon the same are built, with the adjacent ground thereunto belonging, excepting two foot to the front of Dames Street, next adjoyning to Dames street.
Crane Lane, etc., as in the said lease is set forth, to have Crane Lane.
and to hold unto the said Kean O'Hara, his heirs and assigns, for the lives of the said Kean O'Hara, Mrs. Ann Caulfeild, alias O'Hara, wife of the reverend Toby Caulfeild, of Ardcree, in the county of Sligoe, clerk, and Caulfeild.
the reverend William Percivall, clerk, then archdeacon Percivall.
of Cashell, now dean of Emly, and the survivors of them, at twenty pounds per annum, by equal moyeties at Easter and Michaelmas, with a clause of renenewal for ever upon payment of all arrears and half a years rent as a fine, and the life to be named within six months after the death of every such life; that the said Kean Deaths.
O'Hara is dead, and therefore pray that the name of the said Charles O'Hara be added to the two lives in being, in the stead of the said Kean O'Hara, deceased: granted that a new life be entered and inserted, paying the arrears and fine according to the petition.

[3.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the wall of the Artillery yard, near Oxmantown, is much Artillery yard, Oxmantown.
out of repair and some part thereof fallen down, and pray a committee to view it, which was referred to a committee accordingly, who made the following report:

'Pursuant to your honours orders of last assembly to Report.
us directed, we, the within committee, have viewed that part of the wall of the Artillery yard which is lately fallen down, occasioned by Mr. Charles Mathews digging under and undermining the same, being one hundred foot in length or thereabouts; we are of opinion that a

1719-20. new wall be built on the old foundation, to be sunk as shall be thought convenient, and that the said wall be made half at the expense of the city, and the other half at the expense of the said Mathews, the stones and other materials thereto belonging to be used in making and repairing the same, and the wall to be made proportionable to the other wall.' Roll xix. m. 100 *b*.

Order. And the petitioners having this assembly petitioned to have such order thereon as by the assembly should be thought fit: it was thereupon ordered that a wall be built according to the above report.

Duggan. [4.] James Duggan, taylor, setting forth that he is an antient freeman of this honorable city, and through misfortunes much reduced, and therefore prayed the Charity. citys charity: ordered that the treasurer do pay to the petitioner the sum of twenty pounds, sterling, on the Lord Mayors warrant, and it to be allowed him on his accounts.

Jackson. [5.] Adam Jackson setting forth that he holds part of m. 99.
Templeogue. Dodder. the lands of Templeogue, through which the river Dodder runs that supplies the city with water, and thereon laid Mill. out his small substance by erecting a tuck mill for the support of himself and numerous family; that there was a complaint made to the honourable the house of commons this last sessions of parliament, of the corruption of the water in that river, occasioned partly by the said mill; and they taking the matter into consideration Act. were pleased to pass an act entitled an act for cleansing and repairing the water course leading from the river Dodder to the city of Dublin, and to prevent the diverting and corrupting the water therein;[1] and that in the said act there is a clause in favour of the petitioner, that in consideration of the petitioners low circumstances, and to enable him to turn the said tuck mill into a corn mill, it Grant. is enacted that the city shall pay, or cause to be paid, on

[1] Act vi. George I., cap. 116.

Roll xix. n. 99. or before the first day of January, the sum of one hundred pounds, and therefore prays an order for the immediate payment of the said one hundred pounds: ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayors warrant, pay to the petitioner the sum of one hundred pounds, sterling, to be allowed him on his accounts. 1719-20.

[6.] James Ramsay, city surveyor, setting forth that since Michaelmas assembly, 1718, he hath made several surveys and drawn maps of the same for the citys use, which took up a great part of his time and proved expensive to him by hiring labourers in the way of his business; which surveys were taken and maps made by order of the city for the publick good, and not for the service of any particular person, and therefore prays the citys consideration and a gratuity for such his services: ordered that the treasurer do pay the petitioner twenty pounds on the Lord Mayors warrant, to be allowed him on his accounts, the same being for his past service. Ramsay, City Surveyor. Surveys. Maps. Grant.

[7.] William Bambrick, praying the citys charity: ordered that the petitioner be paid four pounds per annum by quarterly payments during the citys pleasure, to commence from Christmas last, and twenty shillings to be paid him now, over and above the said annuity.

[8.] William Taylor, praying to be admitted one of the city musick: granted during the citys pleasure, in the room of John Johnson, one of the city musick who is removed from the said employ for not attending the Lord Mayor for two years past, he having declared to the Lord Mayor that he desired the city would excuse him from further attendance. City music.

[9.] Garret Comerford, praying to be one of the city musick, the rather because he was brought up by the citys favour in the Blew coat Hospital: granted during the citys pleasure. Comerford.

[10.] Robert Moody, praying to be city gardiner: ordered that the petitioner be admitted city gardiner during the citys pleasure at ten pounds per annum, and Moody, City gardener.

1719-20. particularly to take care of St. Stephens Green and the Lord Mayors garden. Roll xix. m. 99.

Assembly. Time. [11.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: granted.

Ellwood. [12.] David Ellwood, praying the citys assistance in defending their right against James, lord viscount Lanesborough, in defence of the house called the 'Three [hatts],' in High street, having lately obtained a decree for the same: ordered that the city agent do pay what is necessary for taking out the decree and obtaining the possession of the citys premises as the Recorder shall advise. m. 99 b.

Lanesborough.

Thomas. Charity. [13.] David Thomas, praying the citys charity and an annual allowance: ordered that the petitioner be paid four pounds per annum by quarterly payments during the citys pleasure, to commence from Christmas last, and twenty shillings to be paid him over and above the said annuity.

Winter. Charity. [14.] William Winter, praying the citys charity: ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayors warrant, pay the petitioner the sum of ten pounds, the same to be allowed him on his accounts.

Aldrich. Cumming. Act. Lights. [15.] William Aldrich and Hugh Cumming, of Dublin, merchants, setting forth that whereas by an act[1] past last sessions of parliament, intituled an act for erecting and continuing lights in the city of Dublin and the several liberties adjoining, it is among other things enacted that the petitioners, their executors and administrators within the city of Dublin, shall for the space of twenty one years, to be computed from the first of September, 1720, have full power and authority during the term aforesaid to cause lights to be erected within the said city, and to support and maintain the same under the several rules, regulations and orders in the said act. It is also further enacted that the petitioner shall, on or before the twenty fifth day of March, 1720, in behalf of themselves, their executors and administrators,

[1] 6 George I., cap. xviii.—Statutes passed in Ireland, vol. iv., p. 569. Dublin: 1786.

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together with two other sufficient persons to be approved of by the said Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, commons and citizens of the city of Dublin, enter into one bond of the penalty of two thousand pounds to the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, commons and citizens of the city of Dublin, conditioned for the true performance of all the rules and directions in the said act contained. And also by the said act it is enacted that no assignment shall be made by the petitioners, their executors or administrators, of the interest by the said act vested in the petitioners, or any part thereof, without the consent first had under the common seal of the city of Dublin by the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, commons and citizens of the said city, and any assignment made without such consent was by the said act declared to be void; that in pursuance of the said act the petitioners are ready and willing to enter into such security, and propose John Cuming and John Read, merchants, in the said city as joint security with the petitioners in the said sum of two thousand pounds for the true performance of the rules and directions by the said act required, and appoint for the better management of the said lights. And whereas by the said act new lights are appointed to be erected and set up within the city of Dublin upon the first of September next, before any profit or advantage can be made thereof, which will occasion the petitioners advancing several hundred pounds, and that the petitioners cannot borrow any sum or sums of money upon the credit of the said act, nor make any assignment of the said lights for securing what money shall be so advanced without the citys consent; and in regard the laying out so many hundreds of pounds in ready money, part of the petitioners capital stock for carrying on their business in trade, they being merchants, may be inconvenient, and by granting them such license the city can in no sort be prejudiced, they being first obliged to give two thousand pounds security for performance of what is required in the said act, and

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Bond.

Rules. Directions.

Security.

1719-20. therefore pray that the said John Cuming and John Read may be approved of as joint security with the petitioners, as required by the act, and that the city will consent to the petitioners borrowing any sum not exceeding one thousand pounds upon the said lights, and that the petitioners may be at liberty to assign the benefit of the said lights to such person or persons as shall advance and lend that sum, or such part thereof as the petitioners shall have occasion for: whereupon it is ordered that the security proposed by the petitioners be allowed of and be given pursuant to the act, and after the security is so given, the petitioners to be at liberty to raise (as in the petition is prayed) any sum not exceeding one thousand pounds, and the citys consent thereto to be put under the city seal, pursuant to the act of parliament, as Mr. Recorder shall advise. Roll xix. m. 99 *b*.

[16.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 22nd January, 1719[-20]: m. 98.

Ballast Office.

Report.

Oak timber.

'We have agreed with Mr. Thomas Hewetson for a parcel of oak piles, all that are sound and fit for driving; the square pieces at forty six shillings per tun, forty feet to the tun; the round pieces that are sound and fit for driving, at the same price, but fifty feet to the tun. The said timber to be paid for in two gales, videlicet, on the first of April next, and the first of July following; the said piles are now measuring, and suppose may be about one hundred and fifty tun: granted.—Allowed.

Welsh timber.

'Since last assembly we have received about thirteen tun more of the Welch timber, formerly agreed for at fifty feet to the tun; but the said timber not being according to our first agreement, we do not think proper to take any more of the said timber, unless they will come up to the first proposals sent them, and we have writ to Mr. Carters steward to that purpose:' referred to the directors of Ballast Office.—Allowed.

'In our report to your honors, last assembly, we took

Roll xix. m. 98. notice that we were bracing and filling between the piles on the South Bull, in order to secure them from winter storms, since which in the beginning of the winter we lost some few piles by the violence of the seas, but have stood well ever since, and hope they are now so well secured, that there will be no further damage done to the said work this season; we have a considerable quantity of piles now by us, and design to proceed on the said work of piling on the South Bull as the season permits:' ordered to proceed as directors see fit. —Allowed. 1719-20. Piles. South Bull.

m. 98 b. 'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to this honorable assem bly

'Thomas Bolton.—Mathew Pearson.—Thomas Curtis.—Edward Surdeville.—John Porter.—Thomas Gledstaines.—Thomas Corker.—James King.—James Somervell.—Peter Verdoen.—Joseph Kane.'

An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts, from the 15th day of October, 1719, exclusive, to the 21st day of January, 1719[-20], inclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
To balance of accounts to the 15th day of October, 1719, inclusive	450	15	9½	By sundry disbursements on the Office account, from the 15th of October, 1719, exclusive, to the 21st January, 1719[-20], inclusive	£709	3	3½
To cash received since from ships, etc., to the 21st January, 1719[-20], inclusive ...	525	5	0				
Total	976	1	9½				
Deduct	709	3	3½				
Balance ...	£266	18	6				

Note.—There are now more debts due from the Office than the above balance will amount unto.

m. 101. Admissions to franchise. Franchise.

m. 104. 1720. April 29.—Second Friday after Easter.[1] 1720.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that

[1] Easter day, 17 April, 1720.

1720. formerly it was the ancient custom of the city of Dublin Roll xix. m. 104.

Officers of mace. Arrests. that the officers of mace should carry their maces before the Lord Mayor, and when they arrested people to shew them, and for want of them several bailiffs and others have arrested persons, to the great grievance of the inhabitants of the city, with sham actions; that two of the old maces now in being are much out of order and repair; that for the ornament of the city and to prevent

New maces. illegal arrests on actions, that petitioners pray that new maces be made for the several officers, with handles or shanks to them, which handles or shanks are to be

City arms. shewed by them with the city arms engraved thereon, which are to be produced on every arrest by them made,

Committee. which petition was referred to a committee, who made the following report:

Report. 'Pursuant to the order of last assembly, we, the within committee, have considered the petition to us referred, and think it proper that ten new maces of silver be

Bolton. made by alderman Bolton, videlicet, one for each officer at mace, to weigh twenty ounces each, or thereabouts, and the city arms to be engraved thereon, the two maces now in being to be delivered to alderman Bolton, and he to give credit for the same, and that the officers at mace

Security. Redelivery. do severally give security to the city for the redelivery of the maces whenever they shall be demanded.'

And the petitioners having this assembly prayed that the said report may be confirmed and made an act of this assembly: ordered that the committees report be confirmed, and that the several officers be obliged to give security every year for redelivery of their maces.

Thomas Pooley [2.] Thomas Pooley, esquire, having formerly petitioned and set forth that he has often applied for a lease of

Glasmainoge. some cabbins built on the road leading through Glasmainoge, adjoyning to some part of his estate; that he obtained a survey and report, but no lease pursuant

Committee. thereto; that he has since that had a reference to a committee, who have made the following report:

Roll xix. m. 104. 'Pursuant to the order of last assembly, we have 1720. examined the contents of the within petition, and find, Report. by a former survey taken thereof, that the premises Survey. contain in front to Glasmainoge road one hundred thirty three foot, on the south end thereof thirty two foot and a half, on the east side thereof one hundred twenty eight foot, and on the north eleven foot and a halfe, which bounds on the east to the petitioners holding, on the north to Patrick Flemings holding, on the west to the high road, and on the south to Mr. Wallis's holding; we are of opinion that the petitioner have a lease of the said premises (except twenty three feet thereof next adjoyning to the said Wallis's holding, and of equal breadth backwards to the extent of the said ground,
m. 104 d. which is reserved to the city to build a toll house on) Toll-house. for lives renewable for ever, or a fee farm lease thereof, whichever your honors shall think fit, at the yearly rent of three pounds, payable half yearly, on every Michaelmas and Easter, with capons to the Lord Mayor and ten shillings to the Poor House, for the use of the poor:'

And the said Thomas Pooley, together with Benjamin Everard, esquire, having this assembly severally petitioned and prayed that in pursuance and consequence of the said report the said lease be granted to said Benjamin Everard, his, the said Pooleys, assignee: ordered that Benjamin Everard, esquire, have a fee farm lease of Lease. the within premises, pursuant to the annexed report and survey, the rent to commence from Michaelmas next. Leases to be drawn as Mr. Recorder shall advise.

[3.] Robert Grattan, clerk, having formerly by petition Robert Grattan. set forth that he is curate of the parish of Balldoyle, Baldoyle. which contains a great many families, several of which are Protestants; that he has but five pounds per annum for serving the said cure, and the tythes of the said Tithes. parish belonging to the city of Dublin, and therefore prays an addition to the said five pounds per annum,

1720. Committee. which petition was referred to a committee, who made the following report: Roll xix. m. 104 b.

Report. 'Pursuant to an order of last assembly, we have examined the contents of the within petition, and find that since the citys setting the concern the number of Pro-testants. Protestants is encreased and of more trouble to the curate than formerly; that the value of the tythes is considerable, and in regard the petitioner has but small benefit and income out of the premises, and having the care of what Protestants souls are therein, we think it reasonable and are of opinion that the petitioner have Augmen-tation. such augmentation from the city to his present allowance as your honours shall think proper; which we submit to your honours, etc.'

And having this assembly prayed that an order may be made on said report: ordered that the petitioner be Grant. paid five pounds per annum, during the citys pleasure, halfe yearly by the treasurer, to commence from the twenty fifth of March last, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Slicer. [4.] Edward Slicer, setting forth that there was a Golden Lane. committee to survey and value some ground in Golden Quayle. Lane, on the petition of alderman William Quayle; that the same was surveyed, being a lot of ground on the north side of Golden Lane, the front to the south containing eighty one foot, the side to the west one hundred and fifty three foot; the rear to the north, bounded by Carty. Mr. Cartys ground, eighty two foot; the side to the east one hundred fifty three foot in depth; that the petitioner has paid one hundred and fifty pounds, sterling, John Page. to alderman John Page, as a fine for a lease of the same, and therefore prays a lease of ninety nine years, to commence from the expiration of the old lease, which is about two years to come, at the yearly rent of thirty pounds per annum: ordered that the petitioner have a Lease. lease according to the prayer of his petition in consideration of the said fine, with capons to my Lord

Roll xix. m. 104 b. Mayor, and ten shillings to the Poor house, with such other clauses as the Recorder shall think fit. 1720.

[5.] Robert Fortune, clerk to the Lord Mayor, setting forth that the burthen of the office of Mayoralty is much greater than heretofore, being attended with more expense and charges, and therefore prays an augmentation: ordered that the treasurer pay the petitioner, for his Lordships use, four hundred pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed on account Fortune. Mayoralty. Payment.

m. 103. [6.] Jacob Peppard, esquire, setting forth that the present Sherriffs, since their entering into the said office, their private affairs have very much been neglected and they sufferers thereby, and therefore prays an allowance for their use: ordered that the treasurer pay the petitioner for their use two hundred pounds, sterling, videlicet, one hundred pounds to each, the same to be allowed on account. Sheriffs. Allowance.

[7.] Enoch Sterne, esquire, setting forth that he was directed to manage in Great Britain the bill relating to the city water, and that for preventing the engrosing coals in the kingdom; that he received sixty pounds and disbursed thirty odd pounds more, and prays to be reimbursed and [a] gratuity: ordered that the petitioner be paid one hundred pounds, sterling, by the treasurer in full for balance and his trouble in soliciting said bills, and to be allowed treasurer on his accounts. Sterne. Bills. City water. Coals. Payment.

[8]. James Ramsey, city surveyor, setting forth that he was directed by the city to make three brass standard yards for the use of the city, which are made directly after the model and form of the standard yard remaining in the custody of the chamberlain of his majesties exchequer in England; that he was near two months about them, and prays consideration: ordered that the petitioner be paid ten pounds seven shillings by the treasurer, to be allowed on account. Ramsey, City Surveyor. Standard yards. Payment.

[9.] John Wallace, merchant, setting forth his deplorable condition and his gratitude for the ten pounds Wallace.

1720. per annum formerly granted him by the city, and that now no part of his own fortune remaining, therefore Grant. prays an enlargement to that allowance: ordered that the petitioner be paid twenty pounds per annum during the citys pleasure, the first payment to commence from Easter last, and to be paid quarterly. Roll xix. m. 103.

Allen. [10.] Captain Anthony Allen, setting forth that on the Proclamation. day the suspension of arms was proclaimed, he did Lord Mayor. by order of the Lord Mayor draw out his Lordships Grenadiers. granadeers, and was at the expence of eight pounds two shillings three pence half penny, for which he prays an order: ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Payment. Mayors warrant, pay the petitioner eight pounds two shillings three pence half penny, to be allowed on account.

Assembly. [11] Certain commons, praying to enlarge assembly Time. till nine o'clock: ordered that the assembly be enlarged till nine o'clock

Sir John Rogerson. [12.] Sir John Rogerson, setting forth that he is seized Strand. in fee of the Strand lying between Lazy Hill and Ringsend, undertook at a considerable expense some few years ago to enclose part of the same; that his success therein encouraged not only the city to take in the Strand westward of your petitioner, but also the proprietors of the Strand on the north side of the river to enclose that, the taking in of which and the great quantity of ballast that is there used in backing the walls hath greatly improved the channel of the river; that he intends to proceed this summer in inclosing Lazy Hill some more of his said Strand between Lazy Hill and Ringsend. Ringsend, in doing of which he will have occasion for more ballast to back his walls, the taking up of which in the channel will further improve it; that the proprietors of the North Strand pay two pence per tun to Ballast Office. the Ballast Office for what they have occasion to back their ground; that he is willing to pay the like sum for such quantity as they shall supply him with, and therefore prays an order for it: ordered that the petitioner

Roll xix.' m. 103. have ballast at two pence per tun, and that the North Strand be supplyed at the same rate. 1720.

m. 103 b. [13.] George Moss, gentleman, praying to be admitted one of the city attorneys: granted during the citys pleasure. Moss, attorney.

[14.] John Ryly, setting forth that your petitioner is a freeman of this city, and prays to be admitted officer at mace in the place and room of Mark Moore, deceased: ordered that the petitioner be admitted officer at mace in the place of Mark Moore, deceased, during citys pleasure, he giving security sufficient to save the city harmless. Ryly. Officer at mace.

[15.] Margaret Hughes, praying citys favour to support her in her extreme poverty and old age: ordered that the petitioner be paid six pounds per annum, by quarterly payments, to commence from Easter last, and to be paid thirty shillings in hand, the same to be paid during citys pleasure, and allowed treasurer on account. Hughes. Poverty. Grant.

[16.] Peter Desmynieres, messenger and door keeper to the Ballast Office, praying an addition to his salary: ordered that the petitioners salary be augmented to thirty pounds per annum, to commence from the first of May next, as messenger and door keeper to the Ballast Office, and for other services done in the said Office. Desmynieres. Ballast Office. Salary.

[17.] Peter Fitz Gerrald, praying to be admitted one of the city musicians: granted during the citys pleasure. Fitzgerald, City musician.

[18.] David Ellwood, setting forth that the front house, called the sign of the 'Three Hatts,' in High Street, and the backhouse adjoyning, is the estate of inheritance of the city of Dublin, and enjoyed under their title and by virtue of a lease made by the city to John Elwood, upwards of forty years last past without any disturbance, till in the year 1710 the Lord Lanesborough brought an ejectment, and by combination with Lawrence Eustace and others, your petitioners tenants recovered and turned the petitioner out of possession, and made a lease of the Elwood. "Three Hats." Lord Lanesborough. Eustace.

1720. whole premises to said Eustace, for thirty one years; that the petitioner brought an ejectment and was tied up by priviledge, but at last obtained a decree and also the same confirmed on a rehearing; that they have appealed to the house of lords of England, knowing the petitioners poverty is such that he cannot follow it there, by which means the citys title to the premises may be lost, and therefore prays the citys consideration of the whole matter: ordered that the city present do, from time to time, act in this affair as Mr. Recorder shall advise, and to expend what money he shall think proper on the occasion, with advice of Mr. Recorder. Roll xix. m. 103 b.

House of Lords, England.

Ballast Office. [19.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 29th April, 1720:

Report. 'In our report to your honours the last assembly of the 29th April, 1720, that we were bracing and filling South Bull. between the piles on the South Bull, in order to secure them, since which they have stood very well and a considerable bank is risen there.

'The season of the year being more advanced, we have Engine. sent down our small engine, and the other is to be sent with all expedition, in order to proceed on the work of Piling. piling on the said South Bull, and design to carry on the said work as far eastward as we can:' granted, and to proceed on the work.—Allowed.

'Pursuant to your honors orders of last assembly, we m. 102. Oak timber. have had the oak timber, formerly bought from Mr. Hewetson. Hewetson, measured, and find there is of both sorts, round and square, one hundred and twenty seven tuns Price. and seven feet, which at forty six shillings per tun amounts to two hundred and ninety two pounds eleven shillings and five pence:' granted.—Allowed.

'According to your honors orders of last Michaelmas assembly, the Ballast Master has perfected the lease of Office. the house where the Ballast Office is now kept with Hendrick. Mr. Charles Hendrick, and likewise has perfected a

Roll xix. m. 102.

lease to Mr. Henry Clegg of part of the same house on the terms mentioned in a former report:' granted.—Allowed. 1720. Clegg.

'We have sold our old boat, with her tackle and furniture, to the highest bidder for fourteen pounds, which was the most we could get for her. Boat.

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to this honorable assembly:

'Thomas Bolton.—Mathew Pearson.—Thomas Curtis.—Edward Surdevill.—James Stevenson.—Thomas Gledstaines.—James King.—James Somervell.—Joseph Kane. William Empson.—John Porter.'

An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 21st of January, 1719[-20], exclusive, to the 28th April, 1720, inclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
To balance of accounts to the 21st of January, 1719[-20], inclusive	266	18	6	By sundry disbursements on the Office account, from the 21st January, exclusive, to the 28th April, 1720, inclusive ...	575	7	0
To cash received since that, to the 28th April, 1720, inclusive	699	19	2				
Total	966	17	8				
Deduct	575	7	0				
Balance	£391	10	8				

Note:—That the Office owes more for timber, stones, etc., than the above balance will answer.

m. 105.

Admissions to franchise. Franchise.

m. 108.

1720. July 22.—Fourth Friday after 24th June.

[1.] Alderman John Page, setting forth that the committee to whom the contents of his petition were referred had made their report, and prayed that the same be made an act of assembly, which report is as followeth: Page. Report.

'Pursuant to your honours orders of last assembly to us directed, we, the committee appointed to state and settle Committee.

1720. Accounts. the accounts of alderman John Page, have accordingly viewed the same, and find that he was in disbursement for the city account for the year ending Michaelmas, 1715, £1,204 3s. 9¾d., and that he was in disbursement for the said account for the year ending Michaelmas, 1716, £2,810 18s. 3d.; and he was likewise in disbursement for the said account for the year ending Michaelmas, 1717, £3,164 4s. 3d., for all which sums we do think reasonable he should have one years interest, which at six per cent. doth produce as followeth: the first year, £72 4s. 9d.; the second year, £168 12s.; and the third year, £189 16s. 9d., all which sums make four hundred thirty pounds thirteen shillings six pence, which sum will discharge him of all interest that was due Michaelmas, 1718, and we also find that he was in advance for the said city account for the year ending Michaelmas, 1718, £2,658 1s. 8d.; and what part of that sum shall appear by his next account that he shall be in advance, we humbly conceive he ought to have one years interest which ends Michaelmas, 1719: all which we submit to your honours this 15th day of July, 1720.' Roll xix. m. 108.

Payment. On which report and petition aforesaid it was ordered that the petitioner be paid, on the Lord Mayors warrant, as mentioned in the said report, the same to be allowed the treasurer on account.

Harris, Silk dyer. [2.] Joseph Harris, silk dyer, setting forth that he is an antient citizen and freeman and master of the

Corporation of sheermen. corporation of sheermen and dyers; that he has a numerous family, and by misfortunes and old age is much reduced, and therefore prays relief: ordered that the petitioner be paid twenty shillings quarterly by the treasurer during the citys pleasure, to commence from midsummer last.

Darby. [3.] George Darby, merchant, praying relief on his former circumstances and services, being well known to

Charity. the city, and being an object of charity in his latter days: ordered that the treasurer pay the petitioner

Roll xix. m. 108. forty shillings quarterly during the citys pleasure, to commence from midsummer last. 1720.

[4.] Rowland Barker, Gilbert Kelly, Richard West and Mathew Bowen, adjutants to the regiments of horse and foot militia of this city, setting forth that they spent a great deal of time in discharge of their duty, and pray consideration: ordered that the treasurer pay the petitioners twenty pounds, sterling, videlicet, five pounds to each, to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts, the same to be paid on the Lord Mayors warrant. Adjutants. Militia. Payment.

m. 108 b [5.] Ellinor Graham, widow of Patrick Graham, setting forth that her husband was an antient freeman and master of the corporation of cooks, and by misfortunes left the petitioner in a very low condition with four children, and prays relief: ordered that the petitioner be paid four pounds per annum, videlicet, twenty shillings quarterly during the citys pleasure, to commence from midsummer last. Graham. Corporation of cooks. Grant.

[6.] William Kelly, cooper, setting forth that he has been free of the corporation of coopers for fifty three years, and by sickness and misfortune is reduced to great poverty, and prays for an annual allowance: ordered that the petitioner be paid twenty shillings quarterly during the citys pleasure, to commence from midsummer last. Kelly. Corporation of coopers. Grant.

[7.] Certain of the commons to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: granted. Assembly. Time.

[8.] Richard Matthews, setting forth that he sued forth an attachment against the goods of Richard Dea out of the Tholsell Court, and gave the same to John Gill, officer at mace; that several fines were imposed on the said Gill for not returning the said attachment, and that the said Gill is under suspension by rule of the said court, and therefore prays that he may be suspended by act of this assembly: ordered that the above John Gill be and is hereby suspended, and that the right honourable the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, treasurer, aldermen Cheatham, Surdevill, Porter and six of the commons, to be named Matthews. Tholsel court. Fines.

1720. by the commons, or any five of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs to be always two, are appointed a standing committee to inquire into the behaviour of the several officers at mace in the execution of the several process of the Tholsel court, and report from time to time their proceedings therein; the commons names are Joseph Kane, Vincent Kidder, John Macarell, Erasmus Cope, Richard Norton, Edward Dudgeon. Roll xix. m. 108 b.

Committee. Officers at mace.

Layfield. [9.] Lewis Layfield, setting forth that there is a vacancy in the city musick by the death of one of them, and prays to be admitted one of that society: ordered that the petitioner be admitted one of the city musick during the citys pleasure.

City music. Admission.

City trumpets. [10.] The city trumpets, setting forth that they have not had new clothes from the city for several years past, and pray new ones: ordered that the treasurer cause new coats to be made for the petitioners, the expense thereof to be paid by him and allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Coats.

Downes. [11.] Nicholas Downes, praying to succeed his father in the office of one of the city beadles, he having officiated in that imploy since the death of his father: ordered that the petitioner be admitted one of the city beadles during the citys pleasure.

City beadles.

[12, 13.] John Ledar and Edward Challenor, praying to be admitted attorneys of the Tholsel Court: ordered that the petitioners be admitted during the citys pleasure.

Attorneys. Tholsel court.

Geering. [14.] Richard Geering, one of the six clerks of the high court of chancery, setting forth that the city, by lease bearing date the 17th of January, 1706[-7], granted to him a parcel of ground in Saint Stephens street and Little Butter lane for lives renewable for ever, at the yearly rent of twenty shillings for the first seventeen years and a half of the said term, and afterwards at the yearly rent of six pounds eighteen shillings, and five shillings for capons per annum, which was more than the premises were then or are now set for to the undertenants, the m. 107.

St. Stephen's street. Little Butter Lane.

Roll xix. m. 107.

premises containing in front to Stephen Street sixty nine foot, and in Little Butter lane, from north to south, fifty five foot; that Anne Geering, one of petitioners daughters, is lately deceased, who was one of the lives in the said lease, and the premises being of small value, and the trouble and expence of renewing considerable, and that for the first seventeen years and a half no fine is to be paid on the fall of every life, and therefore prayed that a fee farm might be granted him of the premises under the said reserved rents, being willing to pay down such consideration for the said fines of three pounds nine shillings reserved on the said lives as should be thought reasonable: whereupon it was ordered that the petitioner have a fee farm lease of the premises at the yearly rent of six pounds eighteen shillings, payable half yearly, to commence from Michaelmas next, leases to be drawn as Mr. Recorder shall advise.

1720. Stephen street. Lives. Fines. Rent.

[15.] Richard Gibbons, clerk, chaplain to the Blew boys Hospital, setting forth that his father, alderman William Gibbons, in the year 1704, obtained a lease of lives renewable for ever of part of the city wall in Bridge street; that the lord chief justice Forster, late recorder, was one of the three lives inserted in said lease; that the petitioner as heir to his father is possessed of said lease, and prayed that said lease be renewed to him, and the life of William Gibbons, his son, be put in the room of the said John Forster, now deceased, and likewise setting forth that he pays rent to the city for all that part of the city wall mentioned in the said lease, yet others have kept possession of almost one half of the said wall without allowing him any consideration for the same, and prayed the city to relieve him in the premises: whereupon it is ordered that a life be inserted, pursuant to the prayer of the petitioners, and that the right honorable the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, treasurer, masters of the city works, aldermen of the ward, alderman Pleasant, alderman Reyson and four of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any

Gibbons. Blue boys' Hospital. Bridge street.

1720. five of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs to be always two, are appointed a committee to consider the remainder of the petition, and report what is proper to be done therein to the next assembly; the commons are Peter Verdoen, William Empson, Henry Burrows, John Shaw. Roll xix. m. 107.

Committee.

Commons.

Elliston. [16.] Ebenezer Elliston, setting forth that he hath been serviceable to the public in detecting several robberies and prosecuting the offenders, and being much reduced prays consideration for the same: ordered that the treasurer do pay, on the Lord Mayors warrant, to the petitioner the sum of ten pounds, sterling, as a reward for discovering several notorious offenders who were convicted and executed for the same.

Robberies. Prosecutions.

Reward.

[17.] Certain of the commons, setting forth at Easter assembly last that it would be for the advantage of the city that a committee were appointed to find out some effectual way for the better cleansing the streets of this city, which was accordingly referred to a committee, who made the following report: m. 107 b.

Cleansing streets.

Committee.

Report. 'Pursuant to your honours order of reference to us directed, we have examined the within petition, and do find, for the more effectual and better cleansing the several streets on the south and north sides of the river Liffey, that the management thereof be entirely taken into the hands of the city; the present expense and charge for horses, carts and other necessaries, as also the annual expense the city will be at to have the work effectually done, are hereto annexed, and submitted to your honors consideration this 19th of July, 1720.'

Streets.

Liffey.

Expense.

And the said commons having petitioned this assembly that an order might be made on the said report, it was thereupon ordered that the committees report be and is confirmed, and that they be continued and impowered to buy horses, carts, hay and all other necessaries and utensils for carrying on the work, and that they consider of a proper place or places for stabling and

Horses. Carts.

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putting up their carts, and treat and agree for or build the same, and that the treasurer do pay from time to time all such sums of money as the said committee shall direct, the same to be allowed on account, and that the said committee do imploy such servants as they shall think fit, the work to be done and carried on with all convenient speed, and that the said committee do oblige the persons so to be imployed to do their duty exactly from time to time, and the said committee to report their proceedings from time to time. 1720.

[18.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 22nd July, 1720: Ballast Office.

'According to your honors orders of last assembly, we have proceeded in the work of piling on the South Bull, particularly to the westward, but cannot as yet do much to the eastward, by reason that the tide seldom or never leaves the said east end of the piles, but are doing what we can with small piles, watling and filling between them with stones, which we hope will raise a bank in a little time:' ordered that the committee do proceed on the said work.—Allowed. Report. South Bull. Tide. Piles.

'The timber brought from Mr. Hewetson formerly, as reported to your honours the last assembly, measured to one hundred and twenty seven tuns, and seven foot at forty shillings per tun amounts to two hundred and ninety two pounds eleven shillings and five pence, and we have paid him two hundred and eighty pounds six shillings and two pence, which, with twelve pounds five shillings and three pence, allowances made by him according to contract for measuring, rent for the yard, and for putting of said timber on board the gabbards, and paid his man while in town, completes the above sum of two hundred and ninety two pounds eleven shillings and five pence, since which we have bought eight tun more of crooked oak timber from the said Hewetson, at thirty shillings per tun, which amounts Timber. Measurement. Cost. Gabbards. Oak. Price.

1720. Ballast Office. to twelve pounds, and will be of use for mending and repairing the gabbards belonging to the Office, which we have likewise paid him for:' granted.—Allowed. Roll xix. m. 107 b.

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed: m. 106.

'All which is humbly submitted to this honourable assembly:

'Thomas Bolton.—Mathew Pearson.—Thomas Curtis.—Edward Surdeville.—John Porter.—Peter Verdoen.—James King.—James Somervell.—James Stevenson.—Thomas Gledstaines.—Joseph Kane.—Thomas Corker.'

An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 28th day of April, 1720, exclusive, to the 21st day of July, inclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Creditor.	£	s.	d.
To balance of accounts from the 28th day of April, 1720, exclusive	391	10	0	Per sundry disbursements on the Office account from the 28th of April, 1720, exclusive, to the 21st of July, inclusive ..	826	5	11
To cash received since that day to the 21st of July, inclusive	867	19	9				
Total	1259	10	5				
Deduct	826	3	11				
Balance .. .	£433	4	6				

Note:—Our gabbards are now graving, which, with what the Office owes, will amount to more than the balance of the above cash.

Franchise. Admissions to franchise. m. 109.

1720. September 1. m. 106 b.

Smith. Officers at mace. [1.] John Smith, setting forth that the place of one of the officers at mace became vacant by the death of John Charters, and being desirous to serve the city in that station, having good security for the true performance thereof: it is ordered that the petitioner be Admission. and is hereby admitted one of the officers at mace during the citys pleasure, he giving sufficient security to save the city harmless, and that he be not sworn till he be admitted free of a corporation and sworn free of the city.

Roll xix. m. 166 b.

[2.] John Gill, one of the officers at mace, setting forth 1720. Gill. that by order of last Midsummer assembly he was Suspension. suspended his business on account of one Mary Day, and his family being in a miserable condition, and having nothing to subsist them but his said imploy, prayed to be restored to the same: ordered that the petitioners suspension be taken off till the committee appointed to inquire into the execution of the process of the Tholsell court make their report.

m. 112.

1720. October 14.—Third Friday after 29 September.

Lord Mayor: George Forbes; Sheriffs: James Somervell and Nathaniel Kane.

[1.] Robert Fortune, clerk to the right honourable Fortune. the Lord Mayor, setting forth that his Lordship being elected into the Mayoralty of this city for the present Mayoralty. year, will be at great expence to support the dignity of the same, and therefore prays the usual allowance: ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay to the petitioner for his Lordships use the Payment. sum of five hundred pounds, sterling, one moiety to be paid at Christmas next, and the other moiety at midsummer next, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

[2.] Robert Fortune, setting forth that he has attended Fortune. the right honourable the Lord Mayor and commissioners Commissioners of array. of array as clerk in taking out of commissions, making out orders and issuing summonses, and therefore prays a consideration: ordered that the petitioners be paid ten pounds, sterling, and the treasurer be allowed the same on his accounts.

[3.] Bartholomew Wybrants, praying a consideration Wybrants. for keeping a registry of all acts of assembly for the Registry. commons: ordered the treasurer do pay the petitioner, Commons. on the Lord Mayors warrant, ten pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed him on his accounts.

[4.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that for

1720. City. Money. Statue of George I. Loan. City seal.

some time past there have been such demands on the city for money, the treasurer is entirely out of cash, and not able to discharge the present debts which are owing; that there will be soon considerable sums wanting to complete his majesties statue and fix the same, as also to buy materials and all other necessarys for regulating the cleansing of the streets, which must be provided with all convenient speed, the city entering on that work the first of next month, before which time all utensils must be provided, and therefore pray that for the honour and credit of the city the sum of one thousand or fifteen hundred pounds be borrowed on the city seal at the lowest interest to answer the public demands and carry on so public works: ordered that the sum of one thousand pounds be borrowed on the city seal at the lowest interest the same can be got, for carrying on the works aforesaid. Roll xix. m. 112.

Isaac. Newgate.

[5.] Ashenhurst Isaac, keeper of Newgate, praying to be continued in his employment: granted during the citys pleasure.

Officers at mace.

[6.] Christoper Rice, John Medcalf, John Montgomery, Greenwood Hanna, John Gill, officers at mace, praying to be continued in their employments: granted during the citys pleasure.

Sheriffs' Officers.

[7.] John Lester, John Thompson, John Ryly and William Leech, Sheriffs officers, praying to be continued in their employments: granted during the citys pleasure.

[8.] John Jones and Charles Craven, water bayliffs, praying to be continued in their employments: granted during the citys pleasure.

Assembly. Time.

[9.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: ordered that the assembly be enlarged till nine o'clock.

Nelson. City works. Payment.

[10.] James Nelson, assistant to the masters of the city works, praying that a gratuity may be made him for his past services: ordered that the treasurer pay the within petitioner fifty pounds, sterling, on the Lord

Roll xix. m. 112. Mayors warrant, for his past services, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. 1720.

[11.] Jeremiah Pepyat, city printer and stationer, praying that the committees report may be made an act of assembly: granted that the petitioner be paid, on the m. 112 a. Lord Mayors warrant, the balance reported, and the treasurer to be allowed the same on his accounts Pepyat, printer.

[12.] Oliver Cheney, having formerly petitioned and set forth that he being possessed of an estate in Castle street, consisting in houses which descended to him from his grandfather, James Ware, esq., late auditor general, the front of which houses are built on the ground where the city wall stood; that several persons have long leases from the city of the said front ground, being about four foot in depth with one foot of the pavement; that alderman Daniel Wybrants had a lease of one front, containing about eight yards in length and four in depth with one foot of the pavement, for a long term, which will expire in the year 1734, which by some means is come to one Haines; that the house behind the said front to the castle ditch is his inheritance and in a ruinous condition, and cannot be set without the front, and therefore prayed a lease in reversion of the said front in the possession of the said Mr. Haines or his undertenants, for such term and rent as the city should think fit, and the rather because that by his means the city came to a true light of the premises, which petition was referred to a committee, who made the following report: Cheney. Castle street. Ware. Wybrants. Haines. Committee. Report.

'Pursuant to your honours order we have viewed the premises, and find the same to contain twenty five foot in front to Castle street, and in depth, from the said street southward to the extent of the back or south side of the old city wall, five foot, be the same more or less, as by the map hereunto annexed, and we are of opinion that the said ground and premises in itself is intrinsically worth but three pounds fifteen shillings per annum; we do also find that the back ground behind the premises Castle street. Value.

1720. doth belong to the petitioner, which makes us think it reasonable the petitioner should have a lease in reversion of the said premises for ninety nine years, at the aforesaid rent of three pounds fifteen shillings per annum, before any other person who has no ground adjoining thereto, though perhaps he would give a greater rent than it is really worth to lay the petitioner under a necessity of setting his ground to him at an under value, or to pay him an excessive rent for the premises: all which we humbly submit to your honours, this 19th September, 1720.' Roll xix. m. 112 *b*.

And he having this assembly petitioned and prayed that the said report may be made an act of assembly: ordered that the petitioner have a lease of the within premises pursuant to the committees report, with such clauses as Mr. Recorder shall advise, paying ten shillings for the Poor house on perfection of the leases.

Act of assembly.

Surdeville. [13.] Alderman Edward Surdeville having formerly petitioned and set forth that there is about twenty five foot in length from east to west, and in depth from north to south about seven foot, being a part of the late old city wall, situate in Castle street, which was formerly by this honourable city set to alderman Daniel Wybrants by a lease for sixty one years, which lease will determine in the year 1734; and whereas he is tenant to this honourable city by a lease of lives renewable for about the like number of foot of the said wall, and which is next adjoining to the west end of the twenty five foot, as also he being interested in twenty three foot and a half of ground in depth, which lyeth behind the said twenty five foot as well as behind what he holds, as aforesaid, from this honourable city, the which whole ground hath been improved by him and his tenants by houses being erected on the same, the fronts of which are built on the said twenty five foot, and the rest of the said houses are built on his ground, and therefore prayed a lease in reversion for the said twenty-five foot

Old City wall. Castle street. Wybrants.

m. 111.

Roll xix. n. 111.

of ground, which petition was referred to a committee, who made the following report. 1720. Committee.

'Pursuant to your honors order we have viewed the premises, and find the same to contain twenty five foot in the front to Castle street, and in depth, from the said street southward to the extent of the back or south side of the old city wall, five foot, be the same more or less, as by the map hereunto annexed, and we are of opinion that the said ground and premises in itself is intrinsically worth but three pounds fifteen shillings per annum; we do also find that the back ground behind the premises doth belong to the petitioner, which makes us think it reasonable that the petitioner should have a lease in reversion of the said premises for ninety nine years, at the aforesaid rent of three pounds fifteen shillings per annum, before any other person who has no ground adjoining thereto, though perhaps he would give greater rent than it is really worth to lay the petitioner under a necessity of setting his back ground to him at an under value, or to pay him an excessive rent for the premises: all which we humbly submit to your honours, this 19th September, 1720.' Report. Castle street. City wall.

And he having this assembly petitioned and prayed that the said report may be made an act of assembly: ordered that the petitioner have a lease of the within premises pursuant to the committees report, with such clause as Mr. Recorder shall advise, paying ten shillings for the Poor house on perfection of the leases. Order.

[14.] Richard Geering, esquire, one of the six clerks in chancery, setting forth that he formerly petitioned to have a lease for lives of a small holding in St. Stephens street turned into a fee farm on his paying down such consideration for the fine of three pounds nine shillings that was by the said lease for lives to be paid on the fall of every life after the seventeenth July, 1724, until which time he was to pay but twenty shillings per annum; that in July last he had a grant of a fee farm lease of the said premises at the rent of six pounds eighteen shillings per Geering. Six Clerks. St. Stephen's street.

1720. annum, payable half yearly, to commence from Michaelmas then next, and now last past, being an advance of five pounds eighteen shillings per annum for four years, and makes upwards of twenty three pounds, and is above seven years purchase for the said fine of three pounds nine shillings, to be paid on the fall of every life as aforesaid, and setting forth also that four years purchase, as he is informed, is what is usually paid for purchasing off three lives in being; and that in regard there are four years to come before he is liable to pay any fine on the fall of the life or lives in the said lease, he therefore prays a fee farm lease and the citys pleasure as to what certain sum he is to pay as a fine: ordered that the petitioner Lease. have a fee farm lease of the premises, to commence from Michaelmas last, he paying six pounds eighteen shillings as a fine at the rent reserved in the former lease. Roll xix. m. 111.

[15.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office. Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 14th October, 1720:

Report. 'Having proceeded in the work of piling on the South South Bull Bull, according to your honours orders, as far as the Engines. season will permit, we have ordered both the engines to be brought up, and the said work to be well secured by bracing, planking and filling to prevent any damage that may happen thereto by the winter storms.

Caldwell. 'We did agree with Mr. Patrick Caldwell, on the 19th Oak timber. of July last, for a parcel of oak timber for pyles in number five hundred forty and five pieces, containing fifty tuns and twenty four feet, at forty six shillings per tun, which amounts to £116 7s. 8d.; he is to be paid for m. 111 b. the same in two gales, videlicet: the first gale on the first of January next, and the other on the first of May following, since which we have bought another parcel of the like timber from the said Caldwell for piles, containing twenty five tuns and twenty nine feet and a half, in two hundred and eighty one pieces, at the aforesaid rate, which amounts to £59 4s., which last parcel of timber he is to be paid for on the first of August next:' granted.—Allowed.

Roll xix. m. 111 b.

Mr. Joseph Sheppy, being imployed at the Custom House to take care of the coast business of this kingdom, as well the improveing as outvoycing all the ships bound coastways, has for some time past obliged the masters of those ships to produce their receipts from the Ballast Office before their clearing, and for the future he is to file all such receipts in order to be taken up by a sub-committee of directors, and to be compared with the cash book every three months, which we humbly conceive will not only contribute to the advantage of the Office, but likewise be the best cheque we can think of on the said Office, as we have already found by experience by the receipts lodged with Mr. Babe of ships that have not gone coastways when compared with the cash book; therefore we humbly conceive the said Sheppy will deserve a salary for the time to come and a gratuity for the time past: referred to the committee to give Mr. Sheppy what he has deserved for his past services to the Office, and that he be paid six pounds per annum for the future, during pleasure, he filing all the receipts.—Allowed. 1720. Sheppy Custom House. Ships. Ballast Office.

'The 17th of January, 1717[-18], we reported to your honours that the arrears of £43 15s., ending May, 1717, did appear to us to be due on sixteen gabbards and three wherrys, and that Mr. Hoult informed us that he was concerned only one quarter, Mr. John Marney one halfe, and Mr. John Mercer one quarter, in the said gabbards, at which time your honours ordered that they should be sued at law as Mr. Recorder should advise, on which we took advice, and found that we could not recover the same by distress, since which there is a clause in an act of parliament passed last session, impowering the Ballast Master to distrain on all tackle, sails or furniture for the dutys due from any gabbard or wherry to the said office. We have since summoned the said Marney and the said Hoult, in order to settle the said old arrears, and, upon the strictest inquiry we can make, doe find that of the said sixteen gabbards there doth now remain but eleven, the remaining five and the three wherries Hoult. Marney. Mercer.

1720. being sunk, broke up or lost, some of which five years past, and of the said eleven gabbards in being the said Marney has constantly paid the duties due to the office for one of them, so that the arrears charged on the said gabbards being ten for eight years, ending the first of May, 1720, amounts to forty pounds, but in regard that the aforesaid ten gabbards were in the hands of Mr. Mercer, lately deceased, or his assigns, till about two years past, who rendered no account to the said Marney or Hoult, and they being put to an extraordinary expence in recovering possession of the same, we humbly conceive, for the reasons aforesaid that if the said Marney and Hoult do pay to the Office £20 18s. 9d., to the first of May, 1720, that they be discharged of all the arrears due from the aforesaid ten gabbards ending the first of May last: ' ordered that the arrears be discharged, Messrs. Marney and Hoult paying twenty pounds eighteen shillings nine pence, pursuant to the report.—Allowed. Roll xix. m. 111 *b*. m. 110.

' An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed: Thomas Bolton.—Mathew Pearson.—Thomas Curtis.—Edward Surdeville. — John Porter. — Peter Verdoen.—Thomas Corker. — James Stevenson. — Thomas Gledstaines. — Thomas Stringer.—Joseph Kane.—James King.'

An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 21st day of July, 1720, exclusive, to the 13th of October, 1720, inclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.
To balance of the accounts to the 21st July last, inclusive ...	433	4	6
To cash received since that day to the 13th October, inclusive	833	6	6
Total	1266	11	0
Deduct	653	7	0½
Balance	£613	3	11½

Note:—There are now more debts due from the Office than the above balance will amount to.

Per contra, Cr.	£	s.	d.
By sundry disbursements on the Office account from the 21st July last, exclusive, to the 13th October, inclusive ...	653	7	0½

Franchise. Admissions to franchise. m. 113.

Roll xix. m. 116

1720-21. January 20.—Fourth Friday after 25 December, 1720. 1720-21.

[1.] On the memorial of his grace, the lord archbishop[1] of Dublin, the minister, churchwardens, parishioners and commissioners for the building the parish church of Saint Anne, Dublin, setting forth that the building the said parish church has been carried on hitherto by voluntary subscriptions of the inhabitants of the said parish and other gentlemen, by which means the said church is in good forwardness; that the present fund of subscriptions is near expended, and that the work must stop if additional contributions be not procured; that the house of residence for the Lord Mayor for the time being is in the said parish, and that proper seats must be appointed for his lordship and his attendants when they shall think fit to be present at Divine service in the said church, and therefore prayed that the city would take into their consideration the furthering so good a work, and contribute to the same as they shall think fit: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayors warrant, pay to his grace the lord archbishop of Dublin towards building saint Annes church the sum of one hundred pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Archbishop of Dublin. Church of St. Anne. Subscriptions. Lord Mayor's house. Grant.

[2.] James Wilkinson, merchant, setting forth that there was a survey taken of some small tenements in the Little Butter Lane, belonging to the city; that the committee to whom it was referred surveyed and made a map thereof, and reported the same to be worth about twenty pounds per annum, which premises contain in front one hundred seventy two feet, and in depth, as described in the said map; that the petitioner is desirous to become tenant for the same at the yearly rent of twenty four pounds, and therefore prayed a lease of the said premises under the yearly rent aforesaid, and Wilkinson Little Butter lane

[1] William King, D.D.

1720-21. for such term of years as the city should think fit: whereupon it is ordered that the petitioner have a lease of the said premises for ninety nine years, at the yearly rent of twenty four pounds, to be paid half yearly, at Michaelmas and Easter, to commence from Easter next, with capons annually to the Lord Mayor, leases to be drawn as Mr. Recorder shall advise, and paying ten shillings to the Poor house on perfection of the leases. Roll xix. m. 116.

Leases.

Water-course. [3.] Committee of the Watercourse: Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, treasurer, masters of the city works, sir John Rogerson, aldermen Stoyte, Bolton, Quayle, Mathew Pearson, Curtis, and twelve of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any nine of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs to be always two, are appointed a committee to view the watercourse, every one of the committee to have timely notice of their meeting.

Aldermen.

Commons. [The twelve of the commons:] Major Aldrich, David King, Thomas Corker, James Stevenson, David Latouch, Joseph Nuttall, Robert Nesbitt, Digby Ormsby, Samuel Allison, Thomas Ellis. Francis Grosvenor, John Taylor.

[4.] Mr. William Milton and Mr. Daniel Falkiner, late Sherriffs, are appointed masters of the city works for the ensuing year. m. 116 b.

City works.

Auditors. [5.] Auditors of the city accounts for the last year:

Aldermen. Lord Mayor, Sherriffs, sir John Rogerson, aldermen Walton, Stoyte, Bolton, Pleasants, Mathew Pearson Curtis, Surdeville, Reyson, and eighteen of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any nine of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs to be always two, are appointed auditors of the city accounts for the last year.

Commons. [The eighteen of the commons:] Joseph Kane, Richard Blair, William Empson, Major Verdoen, Mathew Pearson, John Rieussett, John Vareilles, Richard Norton, William Barry, Percival Hunt, Charles Hendrick, Anthony Allen, William Waller, Paul Espinass, Stearn Tighe, Thomas Collins, Robert Farrell, John Read.

Roll xix. m. 116 *b*.

[6.] John Kirkwood, keeper of the city toll corn, setting forth that by act of assembly he was appointed receiver and keeper of the city toll corn in place of Mr. Moland, at the yearly salary of twenty five pounds; that Mr. Moland, the petitioners predecessor, had forty pounds per annum, for attending and acting in the said employ, and in regard the petitioners whole time was almost taken up in discharge of his said employ, prayed to be settled on the same footing with his predecessor: ordered that the petitioners salary be augmented to forty pounds per annum, and in consideration thereof that he make a return once a fortnight to the Lord Mayor of the behaviour of the several collectors of the tolls and customs, and that he takes care that no person collects either tolls or customs but such as is sworn before the Lord Mayor.

1720-21. Kirkwood. City toll. Corn. Moland. Returns. Collectors. Tolls. Customs.

[7.] Ellinor Ellwood, widow, relict and executrix of David Ellwood, deceased, setting forth that the lord Lanesborough has appealed to the house of lords of Great Britain against two several decrees made in the high court of chancery in Ireland, on behalf of the said David Ellwood and the citys title, for a front house in High street, called the sign of the 'Three hats,' and a backhouse thereto adjoining belonging to the city; that the petitioner is much reduced by the said suits, and prayed that her case and the citys title to the premises might be taken into consideration, and to do for the defence thereof against the proceedings aforesaid as should be thought proper: ordered that the treasurer do pay the sum of sixty pounds towards the defence against the appeal of the lord Lanesborough, brought in the house of peers of Great Britain, and to be paid as the Recorder shall advise, and the treasurer to pay the same on the Lord Mayors warrant, and the same to be allowed on his accounts, she giving a bond to repay the same when recovered, with the further security of assigning the premises as the Recorder shall advise.

Ellwood. House of Lords in Great Britain. High street. Lord Lanesborough.

1720-21. Assembly. [8.] Certain of the commons praying to enlarge the assembly: granted that the assembly be enlarged till nine o'clock. Roll xix. m. 116 *b*.

Morton. Corporation of glovers. [9.] Edward Morton, glover, shewing that he was warden and master of the corporation of glovers and one of the common councilmen for that corporation nine years last past, and deputy alderman of Castle street ward six years; that he was frequently assistant to and conversant with Mr. Henry Glegg, lately one of the supervisors of the Ballast Office, which place by his death is become vacant, and was twice in England to buy timber for the use of the said Office, for which services he never received any reward; that he has a wife and eight children, and through the badness of the times is under difficulties of maintaining them, and prays to be admitted in the said imploy of one of the supervisors of the said Ballast Office: granted during the citys pleasure. m. 115.

Reilly. Corporation of brewers. [10.] Terence Reilly, brewer, setting forth that he is an antient freeman of this city, served warden and master of the corporation of brewers, and for several years a common councilman; that by misfortune and losses he was cast into prison, where he lay for a considerable time, and is now destitute of means to support himself and distressed family with, and prayed charitable relief to ease his pressing necessities: ordered that the treasurer do pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayors warrant, twenty pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed on his accounts.

Suit. Brooks. Lazy Hill. [11.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that there is a suit in equity, commenced between the city and Dockwray Brooks, esquire, for some holdings about and in Lazy Hill, which, if it goes on, will prove tedious and expensive, and the said Dockwray Brooks proposes and is willing that the same should be referred to indifferent persons to be chosen by the city and him, and prayed that a proper method might be taken in order to

Roll xix. m. 115. accommodate the same, on which petition the following order was made: whereas Mr. Gower, agent for Mr. Dockwray Brooks, proposed to the Lord Mayor of this city that in order to save expense on both sides the matters in difference between him and the city in relation to the ground lately inclosed by the city, and other ground lying at Lazy Hill, may be referred: Ordered that in order to prevent such expense, and to the end the difference may be accommodated in a more expeditious manner than it is probable it will be finished by a chancery suit: ordered that the right honourable the Lord Mayor, Sherriffs, treasurer, aldermen Burton, Stoyte, Bolton, Curtis, Surdeville and ten of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any five of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sherriffs to be always two, be appointed a committee to consider in what manner such reference may be proceeded on, and what will be the best and most effectual manner to bring the said difference to a conclusion, and to report their proceedings to the next assembly: And the said committee having taken the said petition and order into their consideration made the following report:

1720-21. Gower. Lazy Hill. Committee.

'We, the within committee, pursuant to the order of last assembly, met, and Dockwray Brooks, esquire, in the within petition mentioned, proposed to us that the difference between the city and him should be referred to two lawyers, one on each side, and in case they do not agree that they be impowered to choose an umpire to hear and determine all matters in difference between the city and him, which we conceive will be a more expeditious way to accommodate and determine the matters in difference depending than by a chancery suit; and the said Dockwray Brooks proposed for his referee Francis Barnard, esquire, and we are of opinion that Thomas Marlay, esquire, solicitor general, is a proper referee on behalf of the city; that the said referees be impowered to hear and

Report. Reference. m. 115 b. Barnard. Marlay.

1720-21. determine the matters aforesaid, and what award they shall make therein to be the decree of his majesties high court of chancery in Ireland, where the said cause is now depending; and that they be armed with a commission to examine witnesses; and if the said referees do not agree, that they have power to choose an umpire to hear and determine the said matters, and his award to be made the decree of the said court, the said umpire to be likewise armed with a commission to examine witnesses; and that (for the city) Richard Geering, esquire, six clerk, be impowered on behalf of the said city to sign one or more orders in the said court of chancery to the purpose aforesaid, and from time to time to agree to any time or times he shall think reasonable for the said referrees or umpire to make and publish their award or umpirage in the premises: all which is submitted to your honours, this 16th day of February, 1720.' Roll xix. m. 115 b. Geering.

[12.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly, January 20th, 1720: Ballast Office. Report.

'In our last report to Michaelmas assembly we gave your honours an account how far we had proceeded in the work of piling on the South Bull the last summer, since which that work has been so well secured by bracing, planking and filling, that it has suffered little or no damage, except some few braces that have been forced from the piles, notwithstanding the great severity and violence of the winter storms. South Bull. Work. Storms.

'We have a considerable quantity of oak piles by us for carrying on the aforesaid work, the number and price of which was reported to your honours at the said last assembly, and as soon as the season and weather permits, design to carry on the said work on the South Bull if your honours think it proper: ordered to proceed as the season permits: allowed. Oak.

'All which is humbly submitted to this honorable assembly.

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed:

Roll xix. m. 115 d. 'Thomas Bolton.—Mathew Pearson.—Thomas Curtis. 1720-21. Ballast Office.
—Edward Surdeville.—John Porter.—Peter Verdoen.—
Joseph Kane.—James King.—William Milton.—James
Stevenson.—Thomas Corker.'

m. 114. 'An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 13th of October, 1720, exclusive, to the 19th of January, 1720[-21], inclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
To balance of accounts to the 1st of November, exclusive, it being the end of the last three years accounts	572	1	0½	By sundry disbursements on the Office account from the 13th October last, exclusive, to the 19th January, inclusive	458	1	11½
To cash received since to the 19th of January, 1720, inclusive	301	4	0				
Total	873	5	0½				
Deduct	458	1	11½				
Balance	£415	3	1				

Note:—There are several considerable debts on the Office which, when paid, will go near to sink the above balance.

m. 101. Admissions to franchise. Franchise.

m. 114. 1720-21. February 17.

Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee appointed to take a proper method to accommodate the difference between the city and Dockwray Brooks, esquire, had made the foregoing report of the 16th of February, 1720[-21], instant, and prayed that the said report might be confirmed, and such further order made as should be thought convenient: ordered that the said report be and is hereby confirmed, and that Richard Geering, esquire, is hereby impowered from time to time, on behalf of the city, to sign any order or orders to the purport in the report mentioned. Brooks. Report. Confirmation. Geering.

m. 114 b. 1720-21. March 17.

[1.] Henry Tucker, setting forth that the place of one of the officers at mace, of this city, is become vacant by Tucker

1720-21. the death of William Leech, and that he is desirous to serve the city in that station, he having sufficient security for his true performance therein; and prays to be admitted accordingly in the room of the said William Leech: ordered that the petitioner be and is hereby admitted one of the officers at mace during the citys pleasure, he giving sufficient security to save the city harmless, and likewise giving security for his mace. Roll xix. m. 114 *b*.

Officer at mace.

Robertson. [2.] William Robertson, likewise setting forth that the place or employ of one of the officers at mace of this city is become vacant by the death of John Gill, and he being desirous to serve in that station, having sufficient security to save the city harmless, prayed to be admitted accordingly: ordered that the petitioner be and is hereby admitted one of the officers at mace during the citys pleasure, he giving sufficient security to save the city harmless, and likewise giving security for his mace.

Gill.

1721. 1721. April 21.—Second Friday after Easter.[1] m. 120.

[1.] Robert Fortune, clerk to the right honorable George Forbes, esquire, Lord Mayor, setting forth that the Mayoralty for these few years past has been and now is attended with much greater expense and charges than formerly, and therefore prays an augmentation: ordered that the treasurer pay to the petitioner, on the Lord Mayors warrant, for his Lordships use, four hundred pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Mayoralty.

Augmentation.

Grant.

Hoult, Ballast Office. [2.] Thomas Hoult, one of the supervisors of the Ballast Office, setting forth that he has urgent occasion to go for England, and therefore prays leave to be absent for two months: ordered that the petitioner have leave to be absent from the Ballast Office for the space of two months.

Knowles. [3.] John Knowles, setting forth that he has sustained great losses by fire and other ways, and is reduced to a

[1] Easter day, 9 April, 1721.

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very low condition, and therefore prays an allowance: ordered that the treasurer pay the petitioner six pounds, on the Lord Mayors warrant, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts, and forty shillings a quarter during the citys pleasure, to commence from midsummer next. 1721. Allowance.

[4.] Jacob Peppard, esquire, town clerk, setting forth that the Sherriffs are at a vast expense, and a great part of their income arising by the office being much lessened by a late act of parliament, it cannot defray half their charge, and therefore prays a consideration: ordered that the petitioner be paid on the Lord Mayors warrant, for the use of the present Sherriffs, two hundred pounds sterling, videlicet, one hundred pounds, sterling, for each, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Peppard, Town Clerk. Sheriffs. Grant.

[5.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office: Ballast Office.

'We have not proceeded as yet in the work of piling on the South Bull, but the season now being proper, if your honours please to proceed on the same, the Office having now twelve hundred and twenty five pieces of timber for that service, of the dimensions, as per account hereunto annexed: ordered to proceed. Report. South Bull. Timber.

'The Ballast Office is obliged by the act for erecting the same to lay the account of the annual receipts and payments of the said Office once in every three years before the Government and council; therefore we have thought it proper to prepare the said abstract in order to lay it before your honours for your approbation and the city seal': ordered that the same be put under the city seal. Account Receipts. Payments.

'And we do most humbly represent to your honours that as most of the present committee of directors of the said Office have served as such for these several years past to their extraordinary trouble as well as the loss of their time, as the said Office hath constantly required, so we request your honours will be so pleased Directors.

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in their stead to appoint a new committee of directors as your honours shall think proper, and the same will be very acceptable to us: ordered that a new committee be appointed: ordered that aldermen Anthony Barkey, Matthew Pearson, Thomas Curtis, John Porter, John Reyson, and ten of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any five of them, are appointed a committee of directors for the Ballast Office, to report their proceedings from time to time: Roll xix. m. 120.

Committee.

'Richard Blair.—Major Aldriche.—Percival Hunt.—Robert Nesbitt.—Nathaniel Pearson.—Sterne Tighe.—Gilbert King.—David Latouche.—Joseph Nuttall.—John Taylor.'

'The abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed.

'Ordered, at the request of the above Mr. Hunt, that he be excused from attending the above committee, and the commons to name a commoner in his stead.—John Vareilles: allowed.

'An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 19th day of January, 1720[-21], exclusive, to the 20th of April, 1721, inclusive: m. 120 b.

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
To balance of accounts given into last assembly	415	3	1	By sundry disbursements on the Office account from the 19th of January, exclusive, to the 20th of April, inclusive ...	632	17	8
To cash received since, to the 20th April, 1721, inclusive ...	580	7	5	To cash paid in to Messrs. Burton and Harrison, for the Office use	120	0	0
Total	995	10	6				
Deduct	772	17	8				
Balance	£222	12	10		£772	17	8

Hopkins.

[6.] John Hopkins, setting forth that he has been in great peril and danger of his life in taking the two robbers, Wall and Coughlan, and has endangered himself several times in pursuit of other robbers, and therefore prays a consideration: ordered that the treasurer do pay the petitioner ten pounds, on the Lord Mayors warrant, and the same to be allowed him on his accounts, the same being for the said service.

Wall. Coughlan. Robbers.

Roll xix. m. 139 b.

[7.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that effectually to supply the city with water a pond must be made near the waterhouse, the making of which will require a sum of money to be immediately raised to proceed on the said work and perfect the same, and therefore pray that a sum of money, not exceeding one thousand pounds, be borrowed on the city seal at the lowest interest: ordered that the sum of one thousand pounds be borrowed on the city seal at the lowest interest. 1721. Water-supply. Pond.

[8.] James Wilkinson, setting forth that last Christmas assembly there was an order made that he should have a lease of some ruinous tenements in Little Butter Lane for the term of ninety nine years, at twenty four pounds per annum, with duties, the rent to commence from this present assembly; that leases are ordered to be drawn and sealed this assembly, but Mr. Recorder not being in town to sign the draught of the lease, the same could not be perfected, and therefore prays that leases be perfected of the said premises next assembly, pursuant to the former order, and in regard he does not come into possession of said premises for some time to come, to order the rent to commence from Michaelmas next: ordered that leases be perfected next assembly, the rent to commence from Michaelmas next, and leases to be drawn as Mr. Recorder shall advise. Wilkinson. Little Butter lane. Recorder. Leases.

[9.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o clock: granted; allowed.

[10] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee appointed for his majesties statue have made the following report, and pray that the same be confirmed. videlicet: Statue of George I. Report.

'We, the committee appointed for his majesties statue, inform your honours that we have bought the most part of the oak timber wanted for the frame, at four pounds per tun, which was the very lowest price we could engage the same for, and that of the said timber the frame is almost prepared for the laying down; that Oak. Price.

1721. Stones. the ashler stones are now a cutting with all dispatch, a considerable quantity of them also being already prepared; we are now treating for the walling stones for the said pier, and do find we can lay them in at a much Carriage. cheaper rate by water than by land carriage; but then the same will want from your honours the use of the Ballast Office floats, which are not now much employed, to bring the said stones from the city, paying the floatmen for their labour, as also the use of some of the Sand. Ballast Office gabbards to bring the building sand upon the like consideration; we are also treating for the roach Lime. and slack lime for the same service; we must also observe to you that it will be most proper to drive the Piles. piles that may be necessary round the said pier as soon as the said work begins, to which end the proper timber may be procured, and we conceive your honours may have the same from the Ballast Office, they having now a large quantity of timber by them, and the city may reimburse the said Office its value at the same price they paid for the same:'

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m. 119.

Order. Whereupon, the following order was made: ordered that the committee be continued, and that they proceed with all expedition on the said work, and that whatever floats or gabbards will be necessary for bringing stones or building sand be supplied by the Ballast Office when they can be spared, the city paying the mens labour belonging to the same, and that what timber may be wanting for piling may be supplied by said Ballast Office, the city paying them the said price they paid.

[11.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that last Easter assembly a committee was appointed to inspect Dodder. Water-supply. the river Dodder, in order for the better supplying the city with water, that the said committee had made some progress, but by mistake the same was not continued last assembly; that it is absolutely necessary the Committee. Inquiry. said committee make further inquiry in the matter, and do find out some effectual way to accommodate the city

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with water for the use of the inhabitants, and therefore pray to continue the former committee or appoint a new one, which was referred to a new committee, who made the following report, the 20th of April, 1721: 1721.

'We, the within committee, humbly report to your honours that upon examining several of the main pipes we have found much of the same perfectly rotten and decayed, which have occasioned a very great waste of water, as also many of them have not been of a sufficient bore, all which or as many of them as are yet taken up are rectified, and we are satisfied that the like must be performed to the rest of the main pipes not yet examined, they being, no doubt, in the like condition, and for the better observation hereafter of all the main pipes of this city, we have ordered a draft to be made of the streets and alleys of the same, and though their situation, length and breadth are taken only by supposition, yet the same will shew in proper colours the several grand mains, as also their several bores for conveying the water: Report. Water supply. Pipes. Draft. Streets. Alleys. Colours. Bores.

'We humbly conceive that the river Dodder will be sufficient to supply all the main pipes of this city with water, provided the course of the same at all times be kept from the waste which now is at James' Gate, when there is a plenty of water, the which may be performed by a pond or bason properly situated and wrought, the which may contain a reserve of water for the better supply of this city in the summer or any dry season. We have consulted with captain Burgh, the surveyor general, in every particular relating to the same, who is entirely of our opinion, and we, with the said gentleman, have lately viewed the said watercourse and the ground adjoining thereto, and do find the three fields containing three acres two roods and thirty one perch, belonging to the Workhouse, is the most proper ground to be turned into such a pond, and the governors and guardians of the said house we doubt not but will be Dodder. Supply. Waste. James' Gate. Bason. Burgh, Surveyor general. View. Ground. Pond.

1721. Lease. willing to grant a lease of the same to this city at a reasonable rent, which may be twenty pounds per annum; Roll xix. m. 119.

Survey. Level. Dolphins Barn. St. James' Gate. we have also ordered a survey and a level to be taken of the water course from the mill at Dolphins Barn to the bottom of the lowest cistern of Saint James' Gate, together with the said three fields, which is hereunto annexed, and by the same is found that there is between the two extremes a sufficient fall which may allow the

Bason. filling of the said pond or bason, when dug or finished, so

Contents. high as may contain above five hundred thousand hogsheads of water, and from near the bottom of the said pond there will be a sufficient fall to the main pipes, by

Reserve. which means such a reserve of water only may be able

Supply. to supply all the pipes about fifty or sixty days, though the season should be so dry, as the river Dodder do not afford any water, which cannot well be presumed, whereas now in a dry season the city is in want of water, though

Cistern. at other times it runs much to waste at the high cistern

Burgh. at St. James' Gate. Captain Burgh hath been very ready in his advice for the making such cistern and the extraordinary use of the same, and doth promise the like in making the same and anything thereunto belonging, as

Fall. also how the fall must be carried from the mill of Dolphins Barn to the said pond, and from thence to be m. 119 b.

Convey-ance. conveyed by pipes for the supply of the said city: all which we refer to your honours, this 20th of April, 1720:'

Confirma-tion. And certain of the commons, praying this assembly to confirm the said report and continue the committee:

Order. Ordered that the said committee be continued, and that

Lease. they take a fee farm lease from the governors and guardians of the Workhouse of the above named three

Bason. fields, in order to be made into the pond or bason, with the proper falls to the same from the mill of Dolphins Barn, as well as all other necessaries for the constant supply of water to serve all the city pipes, and that they do from time to time pursue and follow the advice of

Burgh. captain Burgh for carrying on the said work, the expense

k. 1 xix. of the said work to be paid by the treasurer and allowed 1721.
p. 119 b. him on his accounts, the same to be paid from time to time as the committee shall direct.

p. 125. Admissions to franchise.

m. 119 b. 1721. April 25.—Post assembly.

Benjamin Everard, of the city of Dublin, esquire, Everard. having formerly set forth by a memorial that he is tenant by lease from the city to a small piece of ground in Glassmanioge, containing in depth at the south end Glass manioge. thereof from the front of Wallis's holding, towards the rear of the said holding, thirty two feet and a half, in which lease there is a reservation out of the premises of twenty three feet of ground next adjoining to the said Wallis's holding, and of equal breadth backwards to the Wallis. extent of the said ground to build a Toll-house on for Toll-house. the use of the said city; that he intended to wall in and improve the premises, and to make an opening through a part thereof, above and northwards the said ground reserved for a Toll-house, into several new streets, to be laid out in the ground behind the premises leading to Frapper lane, Anne street and Little Green; that he Frapper lane. understood that the improvements intended by him Anne street. Little would prove inconvenient to the city, and that by mak- Green. ing such street he should render the Toll-house of no use by affording a passage into the city without ever going by the said Toll house; that he offered to forbear the said improvements and to make the intended street through such a part of premises as to leave room sufficient for a Toll house above such street or passage and to let the city have ground for a Toll-house above said street instead of the ground before mentioned, upon such term as the city thought fit, which memorial was referred to the committee for tolls and customs, who made the Committee. following report:

'We, the committee appointed for regulating the tolls Report. and customs of this city, having taken the within

1721. memorial into our consideration, and in regard there is Roll xix. m. 119 b.
Glass-manioge. a street to be opened toward the upper end of Glass-manioge by the memorialist, by which means the ground in the memorialists lease reserved to the city to build a Toll-house on will be of no use, and are of opinion that the said ground be disposed of by the city to the best advantage, and that a convenient place proper for a Toll house above any street opened by the memorialist be taken speedily for the use aforesaid and this assembly:'

Tolls. Customs. Certain of the commons setting forth that the committee of tolls and customs have made the above report, and therefore pray such order thereon as shall be thought fit: ordered that the committees report be and is hereby m. 118. confirmed, and the committee continued to take up a convenient piece of ground and order a Toll house to be built thereon, as they shall think proper and as reported.

1721. May 9.—Post Assembly.

Higgins. [1.] Robert Higgins, of the city of Dublin, merchant, setting forth that he was elected to serve as one of the Sheriff. Sherriffs for the said city, and not being able to undertake the same by reason of indisposition of body, prays Fine. to be excused: ordered that he be excused for fifty pounds, to be paid to the treasurer for the use of the Claret. city, and one hogshead of good claret to the Lord Mayor elect, and one hogshead of claret to the present Lord Mayor.

[2.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that last assembly there was appointed a committee of directors Ballast Office. for the Ballast Office, and at the same time an abstract of the annual receipts and payments of the said Office for two years and a half was prepared in order to have the city seal affixed thereto, to be laid before the Government, pursuant to the act of parliament, and therefore pray that the said committee be directed to proceed in the Ballast Office affairs and that the said abstract, if not City seal. sealed, be now put under the city seal to be laid before

Roll xix. m. 118. the Government pursuant to the said act of parliament: granted: allowed. 1721.

[3.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that in order to supply the city effectually with water it will be necessary to take the lot of ground, as described in the annexed map, from sir Samuel Cooke, for the use of the city, and therefore pray that a fee farm lease be taken thereof: ordered that a fee farm lease of the said piece of ground, lying in James' street, be taken from sir Samuel Cooke, for the use of the city, at the yearly rent of nine pounds eight shillings and six pence per pound, receivers fees, and a sugar loaf, or five shillings in lieu thereof annually, the rent to be paid half yearly, to commence Michaelmas next, and the counterpart of the lease to be put under the city seal, with such clauses as Mr. Recorder shall advise. Water-supply. Map. James' street. Cooke. Rent.

[4.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that Ashenhurst Isaac, present gaoler of Newgate, has permitted several escapes of notorious robbers and others to be made out of the said gaol, for which he lies now accused in the kings bench, and it is absolutely necessary that some proper person be immediately appointed keeper of the said gaol instead of the said Ashenhurst Isaac, and therefore pray that the said Ashenhurst Isaac be suspended from the said imploy of keeper of Newgate, and that some proper person be appointed keeper of the said gaol: ordered that John Hawkins, keeper of Bridewell, be and is appointed keeper of Newgate till the next assembly instead of Ashenhurst Isaac, he giving sufficient security to save the city harmless, and that the said Ashenhurst Isaac is suspended from his imploy till next general assembly. Isaac. Newgate. Escapes. Robbers. Suspension. Hawkins. Bridewell. Appointment.

m. 118 b. 1721. June 13.—Post Assembly.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the piece of ground mentioned in the within letter of Richard Tighe, esquire, adjoyning the water course, will Ground. Richard Tighe.

1721. Ground. Bason.] be necessary to be taken by the city in order to lay the earth on which may be taken out of the intended bason, and therefore pray that a lease may be taken at the yearly rent of forty shillings, sterling: ordered that a lease be taken accordingly as Mr. Recorder shall advise, at the above rent of forty shillings per annum. Roll xix. m. 118 d.

Francis McCann. [2.] Francis McCann, setting forth that the place of one of the officers at mace is become vacant by the death Rice. of Christopher Rice, and therefore prays to be admitted: ordered that the petitioner be and is hereby admitted one of the officers at mace during the citys pleasure, he giving sufficient security to save the city harmless, and likewise giving security for his mace.

1721. June 23.

Certain of the commons, setting forth that a letter was lately received by the Lord Mayor from Mr. Robert Finlay. Finlay, of London, giving an account of his majesties Statue of George I. statue, being finished and ready to be shipped by next month, and desires that the remaining five hundred pounds be remitted him for the use of the statuary, and therefore pray that the sum be remitted accordingly: ordered that the Lord Mayor do write to Mr. Secretary Southwell. Southwell[1] in London, that he would be pleased to take the trouble on him in joining with Robert Finlay, and Inspection. they to employ some skilful person or persons to view the said statue, and see that the same is finished and completed workmanlike, pursuant to the articles, and that the committee for the said statue do order the Money. remittal of the money when they shall have an account from the said gentlemen that the said statue is finished Shipment. and put safe on board a ship, and bill of loading signed by the master for the use of the city, and security given by Mr. Noast to send over two sufficient workmen when required by the city to erect the said statue on the terms mentioned in the articles.

[1] Edward Southwell, Secretary of State.

Roll xix. m. 124

1721. July 21.—Fourth Friday after 24 June. 1721.

[1.] James Ramsey, city surveyor, having formerly petitioned and set forth that he had made several surveys for the city from the third of February, 1719[-20] to June, 1721, for which he had received no consideration, which petition was referred and the following report made: Ramsey, City Surveyor.

'We, the committee appointed to consider the contents of this petition, having taken the same into our consideration, with the several services the petitioner has done for the city to this time, we are of opinion he be paid the sum of sixty pounds, sterling, in full for the same, as also for his servants attendance on several occasions, and for all the said petitioners services done by him for the city to this time, an account or list of the petitioners services is hereunto annexed, which we submit to your honours this 17th July, 1721.' Report

Whereupon the following order was made:—Ordered that the report be confirmed, and that the petitioner be paid sixty pounds, pursuant to the report, by the treasurer in full of all his past services, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Order.

[2.] Rowland Parker, Gilbert Kelly, Richard West and Mathew Bowan, setting forth that they have employed a great part of their time as adjutants to the regiments of horse and foot militia, and therefore pray a consideration: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayors warrant, do pay the petitioners the sum of twenty pounds, sterling, videlicet, five pounds to each, the same to be allowed him on his accounts. Adjutants. Militia. Horse. Foot. Grant.

[3.] Thomas Speakman, setting forth that John Barclay, the present city beadle, is incapable of his business by reason of his old age, and therefore prays to be admitted into the said employ: ordered that the petitioner be admitted city beadle during the citys pleasure, and that four pounds, sterling, be paid to John Barclay out of the petitioners salary during his life, the Speakman. City beadle. Barclay.

1721. other six pounds to be paid to the petitioner, and after the death of said Barclay the petitioner to have the full salary during the citys pleasure. Roll xix. m. 124.

[4.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that Ashen-
Isaac. hurst Isaac was suspended from his employ of keeper of Newgate, and therefore pray that some fit person be
Newgate. appointed to act as keeper of Newgate till a person be got to take care of the said gaol: ordered that John
Hawkins. Hawkins be continued for a short time keeper of Newgate till a proper person be found to supply that employ.

[5.] The trustees appointed by doctor Richard Stephens, m. 124 d.
Stephens. deceased, and Mrs. Grizell Stephens, for erecting an
Hospital. Hospital for the cure of poor people, setting forth that
Ferry. they formerly petitioned for a ferry across the Liffey, which petition was referred to a committee and a report made thereon, whereupon the following order was made, videlicet:

Grant. 'Ordered that a ferry be granted to the petitioners for twenty one years for the use of the Hospital, at six
Rent. shillings and eight pence per annum rent to the city, with capons to the Lord Mayor for the time being, and
Slips. the commissioners to ascertain the slips on each side the river for such ferry, and such other clauses as Mr Recorder shall advise:'

That the slips are ascertained and all things pursuant the report effected, and therefore pray that the leases may be put under the city seal next assembly:

Leases. Ordered that the leases be drawn pursuant to the former order, as Mr. Recorder shall advise, and the same be sealed next assembly.

Marshal. Hodgeon. [6.] John Marshal and Richard Hodgeon, master and boatswain of the 'Endeavour' of Lancaster, setting forth
Prosecution. that they have been at great expense in the prosecution
Malefactors. of Robert Thomas and the rest of the malefactors which
Piracy. were lately executed for piracy, and therefore pray the city favour and consideration, as also to consider their
Virginia. loss sustained by losing their voyage to Virginia: ordered

Roll xix. m. 124. that the treasurer pay to the petitioners, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the sum of twenty pounds, two thirds thereof to be for the use of the master, and one third thereof to the boatswain, and to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. 1721.

[7.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o clock: granted: allowed. Assembly.

[8.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly the 21st of July. 1721: Ballast Office

'Pursuant to your honours order of the last assembly, the abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 25th of April, 1718, inclusive, to the 29th of October, 1720, inclusive, was laid before the Government and Council for their approbation, pursuant to the act of parliament: Report.

'It being found impracticable in the last season to drive piles with the engines any further on the South Bull towards the east, a new method is now made use of in piling eastward by making frames consisting of twenty four piles in each frame, being about twenty two feet in length and ten feet in breadth, and by bracing and pinning them so well together that there is no possibility of any pile being lost unless the whole frame be carried away together, which is not possible; they are made at the timber yard at Ringsend, and carried down at full sea, between the two floats, and settled in their proper places, and a sufficient quantity of stone is always carried along with them in the said floats, ready to secure them; as soon as they are laid down they are deemed to be as good and as serviceable as any other part of the said piles that were driven with the engine, and the expense that attends the laying them down by computation does not amount to more than two thirds of the expense that attended driving such a number of piles with the said engines, and by making use of the said frames the piling work may be carried much further eastward than South Bull. Frames. Ringsend. m. 123 Stone. Expense.

1721. could be done with the said engines, and it is reported that masters of ships are much better pleased with the carrying on the work eastward to shelter Pole Begg than any other way:' ordered to proceed. Roll xix. m. 123.

Polebegg.

Engine. 'We have laid aside the big engine and are of opinion it will be of no further use in driving piles, but that the timber thereof may be of use in the said frames, and the iron thereof may be sold at the best advantage for the use of the Office:' ordered to proceed: allowed.

'The lesser engine is at work on the bank at the west end of said piles, and we believe that the work done by it may be done cheaper by the frames in proportion to the other, and that the said engine be disposed of likewise:' [ordered] not to be disposed of: allowed.

Gabbards. 'The gabbard no. 11, being very much out of repair, has been these five weeks in the carpenter's hands, who is forced to overhaul her and to put many new planks into her and some new timber, and the gabbard no. 5 must be repaired in like manner:' ordered to proceed: allowed.

Oak timber. 'We have bought one hundred and fifty pieces of oak timber, for the use of the piles, from Mr. Patrick Caldwell, at forty shillings per tun, to be paid in ready money:' ordered to proceed: allowed.

'We have agreed with Mr. William Clenaghan to serve
Stones. the Office with stones at eleven pence per tun, to be
Price. paid every fortnight, as formerly:

'All which is humbly submitted to this honourable assembly:

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed:

'Mathew Pearson.—Thomas Curtis.—John Porter.—John Reyson.—William Aldrich.—Sterne Tighe.—John Vareilles.—Gilbert King.—David Latouche.—Robert Nesbitt.—Joseph Nuttall.'

Ordered that alderman Thomas Wilkinson be put in the room of alderman Anthony Barkey, he desiring to be excused of that service: allowed.

Roll xix. m. 123 d.

An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 20th of April, 1721, exclusive, to the 20th July, inclusive: 1721.

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cr.	£	s.	d.
To balance of accounts given in to the last assembly ..	222	12	10	By sundry disbursements on the Office account, from the 20th of April, exclusive, to the 20th July, inclusive . ..	867	18	6½
To cash received since to the 20th of July, 1721, inclusive ..	867	3	10				
Total	1089	16	8				
Deduct	867	18	6½				
Balance ..	£221	18	1½				
Besides in the hands of Messrs. Burton and Harrison ..	£300	0	0				

N.B.—The Office owes several debts, which will sink the most part of the above balance.

m. 125. Admissions to franchise. Franchise.

m. 122. 1721. August 22.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee appointed to treat with sir Samuel Cooke, for taking a piece of ground from him, lying on the south side of James' street, for better supplying the city with water, have made their report, which is as followeth: Sir Samuel Cooke. Ground. James' street.

'We, the committee appointed to consider of the within petition, think it proper that the piece of ground as described in the annexed map be taken from sir Samuel Cooke in fee farm, at the yearly rent of nine pounds eight shillings, to be paid half yearly, on every Easter and Michaelmas, to commence from Michaelmas next, and that the city, on the perfection of the leases, pay the said sir Samuel nineteen pounds ten shillings as a fine in lieu of renewals formerly insisted on, as also receivers fees and all dutys, which the said sir Samuel is satisfied with, and submitted to your honours this 18th day of August, 1721.' Report. Rent.

'Whereupon the following order was made, videlicet: granted; the report confirmed, and that leases be drawn as Mr. Recorder shall advise, the same to be sealed next assembly. Order.

1721. Statue of George I.

[2.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee appointed for erecting his majestie's statue had made their report of the 18th of August inst. and prayed that the same might be made an act of assembly, with such further order as should be thought proper, which report is as followeth: Roll xix. m. 122.

Report. 'We, the committee appointed for erecting his majestie's statue, have received a letter from Mr. Robert Finlay, of the 22nd of July last, wherein he gives an account of his majestie's statue being finished according to the articles, and nothing remaining to put it on board but Payment. the payment of the other five hundred pounds, which he desires to be remitted with speed, which we are of opinion ought to be done immediately, and to be paid Statuary. by him to Mr. Noest as soon as the said statue is cased, shipped on board in good order, and bills of loading signed by the master for the use of this city, and the said bills of loading to be in possession of the said Mr. Finlay. We are of opinion that Mr. Finlay insure to the value of one thousand pounds on the said statue, the premium thereof to be paid on Mr. Finlay's draft on the Lord Mayor for the time being; and in regard Mr. Finlay. Finlay, by his said letter, has been at a large expense and great trouble about the said statue, we are of opinion he be remitted one hundred pounds for his said expense, trouble and commission. We think it proper that the Pedestal. four panels for the pedestal to be raised to erect the said statue on, be of Italian marble, the front panel thereof be of white, on which is to be cut in letters some encomiums on his majestie, as also the [names of the] founders, and in whose Mayoralty it is erected; the two side panels and rear panel to be of veined marble, finely polished, with a cornice of black marble round the same, which we submit to your honours with Mr. Finlay's letter, this 18th August, 1721:'

Whereupon it is ordered that the treasurer remit a bill for five hundred pounds, English, to Mr. Robert

Roll xix. m. 122. Finlay, payable to Mr John Noest, of London, statuary, 1721. Statuary.
or his order, which bill is to be given by the said Finlay
r 126. to the said Noest, as soon as his majestie's statue is cased, shipped on board in good order, and bills of loading signed by the master for the use of this city, and the said bills of loading to be in possession of the said Mr. Finlay; that the sum of one hundred pounds be remitted to Mr. Finlay for his expense, trouble and commission, as reported; that said Finlay, by one of the public insurance offices, do cause insurance to be made on the said statue to the value of one thousand pounds, and the said Finlay to draw for the premium on the Lord Mayor for the time being, and the treasurer to pay the same, and that the four panels be according to the report.

1721. September 9.

John Hawkins, setting forth that he has acted and Hawkins.
officiated in the place of keeper of Newgate in this city Newgate.
ever since the 9th of May last, by directions of the city, in the stead of Ashenhurst Isaac, who was suspended from the said employ; that the said Ashenhurst Isaac Isaac.
is willing to surrender the said employ, and the petitioner is desirous to serve the city in the same during the city's pleasure, and prayed to be admitted in the place of keeper of Newgate, he having sufficient security to save the city harmless, videlicet, Mr. John King, of Mill street, brewer, and Mr. Denis King: whereupon the following order was made: ordered on the surrender of the said Ashenhurst Isaac, that the petitioner be admitted Appointment.
into the employ of keeper or gaoler of Newgate during the city's pleasure, he giving sufficient security to save the city harmless, and such as the Lord Mayor and Sherriffs shall approve of, and to keep the gaol in repair at his own expense, and performing such covenants and clauses as Mr. Recorder shall advise:

Ashenhurst Isaac, setting forth that through several infirmities of body he is not capable to officiate in the

1721. employ of keeper of Newgate in this city; that John Hawkins has for a considerable time past taken care of the said gaol, to whom the petitioner is ready and willing to surrender the said employ if the city will be pleased to establish the said Hawkins therein, and therefore prayed that the said Hawkins might be confirmed in the said employ: granted during the citys pleasure, pursuant to the order on the said John Hawkins petition. Roll xix. m. 122 b.

1721. October 20.—Third Friday after 29 September. m. 128.

Lord Mayor: Thomas Curtis; Sheriffs: Nathaniel Pearson and Joseph Nuttall.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that of late there have been such demands on the city for money, that the treasurer is entirely out of cash, and not able to discharge the debts now owing; that considerable sums of money have been expended in making the New Bason, in buying timber and laying down new pipes, and several sums are now due on account of that work and other public affairs of the city, and therefore pray that the sum of one thousand pounds be borrowed on the city seal at six per cent. interest towards the discharging the city debts.

New Bason.

Loan.

[2.] Robert Fortune, setting forth that the Lord Mayor, elected into the Mayoralty of this city for the present year, will be at great expense to support the dignity of the same, and therefore prays such allowance as hath been usual: ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay to the petitioner, for the use of his Lordship, the sum of five hundred pounds, sterling, one moiety at Christmas and the other moiety at midsummer next, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Mayoralty.

Expense.

Payment.

[3.] Robert Fortune, setting forth that he has attended the right honourable the Lord Mayor and commissioners of array, which took up a great deal of his time, and therefore prays a consideration: ordered that the petitioner be paid the sum of ten pounds on the Lord

Fortune.

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[4.] Bartholomew Wybrants, setting forth that he has served the commons as their clerk for many years, and has for his extraordinary service been allowed some gratuity yearly on his petition, and therefore prays an allowance: ordered that the petitioner be paid the sum of ten pounds on the Lord Mayors warrant, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Wybrants. Commons. Gratuity.

[5.] James Nellson, assistant to the masters of the city works, setting forth that by reason of the great business of the city, which he has constantly attended, his own private affairs have suffered very much, and therefore prays a consideration: ordered that the petitioner be paid by the treasurer fifty pounds, sterling, on the Lord Mayors warrant for his past services, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Nellson. City works. Grant.

[6.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that it hath been usual for the secretary of state to be presented with the freedom of this city in a silver box, and therefore pray that the right honourable Edward Hopkins, esquire, secretary of state to his grace the duke of Grafton,[1] be presented with a silver box, as customary, which was ordered accordingly, being granted and allowed. Edward Hopkins. Franchise. Silver box.

[7.] John Gregson, setting forth that by several misfortunes he is reduced to extreme poverty, and therefore prays a consideration: ordered that the petitioner be paid by the treasurer twenty shillings and four pounds per annum, payable quarterly, to commence from Michaelmas last, during the citys pleasure. Gregson. Grant.

[8.] Edward Braxton, setting forth that he has attended the city works constantly, and particularly the New Water Bason, and therefore prays for his great trouble a consideration, and to be still continued in the city Braxton. Bason.

[1] Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.

1721. service: ordered that the petitioner be paid ten pounds by the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, for his past services [stated] in the petition, except those he did at the Bason, which the committee for the river Dodder are to consider. Roll xix. m. 128.

Thorne. [9.] Thomas Thorne, setting forth that he is reduced to great necessities by several misfortunes: ordered that the treasurer do pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's Grant. warrant, the sum of fifty pounds, the same to be allowed him on his accounts.

Lawrence. [10.] Ralph Lawrence, setting forth that he is reduced very low by several misfortunes, and therefore prays a Grant. consideration: ordered that the petitioner be paid six pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. m. 128 b.

Pokesly. [11.] Michael Pokesly, setting forth that he is reduced to a very bad condition, and has been a freeman a long time of this city, and therefore prays a consideration: Grant. ordered that the petitioner be paid, on the Lord Mayors warrant, the sum of six pounds, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his account.

[12.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that there Officers at mace. Process. Tholsel court. are many and frequent abuses committed by the officers at mace in executing the process of the Tholsell court, and therefore pray that an order may be made to oblige the said several officers on the arresting any defendant on an action, to oblige him to bail or commit such Marshalsea. prisoner to the city Marshalsea within twenty four hours after any such arrest; and in case the party arrested agree with his creditors, that the officer on such action do immediately withdraw the same in the Tholsell office, and if any of the several officers at mace shall act or do contrary hereto, that such officer or officers shall be displaced from his and their employs: granted according to the prayer of the petition.

Officers at mace. [13.] John Montgomery, John Medcalfe, Greenwood Hanna, John Smith, William Robertson and Francis

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McCann, officers at mace, praying to continue their employs: granted during citys pleasure. 1721.

[14.] John Lester, John Thompson, John Reilly and Henry Tucker, Sherriff's officers, praying to continue their employs: granted during city's pleasure. Sheriffs' officers.

[15.] John Jones and Charles Craven, water bayliffs, praying to continue their employs: granted during city's pleasure. Water-bailiffs.

[16.] John Hawkins, keeper of Newgate, praying to continue his employ: granted during the city's pleasure. Hawkins, Newgate

[17.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that several fee farm rents are due and have been paid to the Lord Mayor, Sherriffs, commons and citizens of this city by the name of Land Gabell money, which rents have been annually collected by the Sherriffs of the city; and whereas, by virtue of the charters and usage of the city, six pence per house has been also collected on all other houses, as Land Gabell money within the city and suburbs thereof, which several sums have been applied to the use of the Sherriffs towards the support of that office, and as the sixpence per house bears hard upon the poor, the Sherriffs are often insulted in the collecting it, and therefore pray that an act of assembly be made to direct that for the future the sum of six pence per house shall no more be collected, but that they may continue to receive all other sums payable by several houses in this city as Land Gabell money which are above that sum of six pence, and that the city treasurer, in lieu of the said sum of six pence payable by other houses, do pay yearly such sum or sums to each Sherriff as shall be thought fit: ordered that all Land Gabell rents exceeding six pence a house be received by the Sherriffs out of all lands and tenements as usual, and that for the future the Land Gabells of six pence a house be and is hereby remitted, and not to be collected, and that the Sherriffs be not for the future obliged to pay their several officers who attended on that occasion and were paid thereout. Rents. Landgable money. Collection. Houses. Sheriffs. Order.

1721. Robert Finlay. Statue of George I.

[18.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that there is due to Mr. Robert Finlay, by his account from the city on account of his majestie's statue, the sum of thirty pounds, one shilling and two pence, and therefore pray that the said balance be paid: ordered that the treasurer, on my Lord Mayor's warrant, pay to Mr. James Somerville, for the use of Mr. Robert Finlay, the above sum of thirty pounds, one shilling and two pence, Irish, in full discharge for any charge or expenses on account of his majestie's statue, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Roll xix. m. 128 *b*. Payment.

[19.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that there was an order that leases should be perfected between sir Samuel Cooke and the city, pursuant to a former report, and therefore pray that leases be perfected next assembly: granted. m. 127. Leases. Sir Samuel Cooke.

[20.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that there was an order made that leases should be perfected between Mr. Tighe and the city, pursuant to a former petition, and therefore pray that leases be perfected next assembly: granted. Tighe.

[21.] The trustees of Doctor Steevens, setting forth that they formerly petitioned for a Ferry across the river Liffey, which petition was granted, and they therefore pray inasmuch as the leases will be soon finished in order to be perfected, that the same may be put under the city seal next assembly: granted. Dr. Steevens. Ferry. Leases.

[22.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o clock: ordered that the assembly be enlarged till nine o clock. Assembly.

[23.] Stephen Conduit, having formerly set forth that for several years past he received and paid the public money presented in this city, and had for receiving and paying twelve pence per pound out of the same, that by a late act of parliament it is enacted that no stoppage shall be made, but the treasurer to be paid by a yearly salary; that there was due before the commencement of Stephen Conduit. Presentments. Act of Parliament.

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the said act several sums, the poundage of which would 1721.
have amounted to upwards of twenty pounds, sterling, and therefore praying that his circumstances might be taken into consideration, which petition was referred to a committee, who made the following report: 'We, the above committee, having taken the within petitioner into our consideration, are of opinion the petitioner be paid twenty two pounds, seventeen shillings and nine pence, sterling, in regard he has been so much a loser by the public money not being paid in before the commencement of an act of parliament lately passed, by which the petitioner is allowed a yearly salary by presentment instead of poundage, which we submit to your honours, this 19th September, 1721:' Committee. Report.

And the petitioner praying this assembly that the report be confirmed and made an act of assembly: ordered that the treasurer pay the petitioner the sum of twenty two pounds, seventeen shillings and nine pence, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, and the same to be allowed him on his accounts pursuant to the within report.

[24.] Jeremiah Pepyat, having formerly set forth that it was necessary that a committee should be appointed to inspect his accounts, and therefore praying to appoint a committee, which petition was referred to a committee, who made the following report: 'Pursuant to your honours orders of the last assembly to us directed, we, the said committee appointed to inspect into the contents of the petition of Mr. Pepyat, city stationer and printer, have viewed his account, which is hereunto annexed, and are of opinion that he be paid in full of the said account, £61 12s. 7d. Dated 18th September, 1721.—George Forbes.—Nathaniel Kane.—Edward Surdeville.—John Porter.—Richard Gunn:' Pepyat. Accounts. Committee. Report.

And the petitioner having prayed this assembly that the report be confirmed and made an act of assembly: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner sixty one pounds, twelve shillings and Order.

1721. seven pence, sterling, as reported, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Roll xix m. 127.

Ballast Office. [25.] 'The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 20th October, 1721: m. 127 b.

Report. 'By the report of the Ballast Office of the 21st of April last, there were then in the timber yard 1,225 pieces

Timber of timber of the several dimensions in the said report mentioned, since which time we have bought from Mr. Patrick Caldwell one hundred and fifty pieces of oak timber at forty shillings per tun, as reported in the report to last Midsummer assembly; but upon the receipt of the same there was but one hundred and thirty nine pieces, containing fifteen tun and a half, at forty foot to the tun, for which he was paid thirty one pounds, sterling, in full for the same:

'We likewise bought from Mr. Bryan O'Bryan and Mr. Walter Butler, on Georges quay, 131 pieces of round oak timber, at fifty foot to the tun, for forty six shillings to the tun, containing eleven tun and three quarters, for

Prices. which we paid him £27 0s. 6d. in full for the same. We also bought from the said O'Bryan and Butler sixty tun more of the said timber at £2 6s. per tun, and fifty foot to the tun, as per agreement perfected in the Office book, of which sixty tun we have received four hundred and eleven pieces, containing thirty four tun and forty three feet, and have paid in part for the said sixty tun £30, sterling, the remainder to be paid when the rest of the said sixty tun is delivered, so that what timber we had then in the yard and what we received since amounts to one thousand nine hundred and six pieces. An account how the said timber has been disposed of is hereunto annexed:

'Pursuant to your honours' orders to us of the last

Piling. assembly, we have proceeded in the work of piling,

Frames. and have made twenty seven frames, eleven of which were mentioned in last midsummer report, of which

Roll xix. m 127 b. we have set down twenty five, and when the other two are set down, they will extend about twenty nine perch eastward farther than we could work with the engine; some of the said frames, by reason of some holes in the sand, do stand somewhat crooked, which cannot be helped; but the workmen say they are as serviceable as those that stand straight, though they do not appear so well to the eye. The piles have been drove on the bank at the west end with the engine about thirteen perches from the place where they left off last season; we are filling them with stones as fast as we can, to secure them the better against the winter storms:' ordered to proceed as the season will permit: allowed. 1721. Ballast Office. Stones.

'Part of the house where the office is kept in that was set by lease to Mr. Henry Glegg during his life, is inhabited since his death by Mr. Benjamin Glegg, his brother; there was some money laid out upon it by Mr. Henry Glegg, deceased, to make it fit for his living in, therefore his said brother hopes your honours will be pleased to grant him a lease of it for so long time as to your honours shall seem meet, under the same rent and covenants which his said brother held it at, which covenants he has punctually performed since his said brothers death:' granted during pleasure, he continuing to live there at the same rent and covenants his brother held the same allowed. Glegg.

'The committee of directors for the said Office appointed a sub-committee to sound the bar, both at high water and at low water, on the twenty seventh day of September last, with all the care and scrutiny they were capable of, and to report what condition they found it then in, and also to report what condition the same was in by the sounding taken by Mr. Moland and others when the said office was first erected, which report is hereunto annexed, with the said Moland's soundings. Dublin Bar Sounding. Moland. Report.

m. 126. 'Your honours were pleased last Easter assembly to give Mr. Hoult leave to go to England for two months, who is not returned to the Office:' ordered that he have Hoult.

1721. a month's time longer, and that if he does not return in that time, to be suspended and his salary to be stopped: allowed. Roll xix. m. 126.

Bermingham. 'Old Walter Bermingham, carpenter, who has been a servant in the office since the same was first erected,

Gabbards. whose employment was to take care of the gabbards, and to see them repaired when wanting, so as that the office should not be imposed on by the carpenters who repaired them, and who likewise served as a hand in the office boat, is now grown so old that he is not capable of keeping an account of what materials are used in the said gabbards, and if he be turned out without making some provision for him he must go a-begging.

'All which is humbly submitted to this honourable assembly: An abstract of cash is hereunto annexed:

'Mathew Pearson.—Thomas Wilkinson.—John Porter.—John Reyson.—Robert Nesbitt.—David Latouche.—John Taylor.—Stearne Tighe.'

Forbes. Ordered that alderman Forbes is appointed one of the committee for the Ballast Office, in the room of alderman

Curtis. Curtis, present Lord Mayor, and that the commons name two commons in the room of Nathaniel Pearson and Joseph Nuttall, esquire, present Sherriffs, for the said committee: James Somerville, Thomas Corker:' allowed.

An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 20th of July, 1721, exclusive, to the 19th of October, 1721, inclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
Balance of accounts given in to the last assembly	221	18	1½	By sundry disbursements on the Office account, from the 20th of July, exclusive, to the 19th of October, inclusive ...	785	16	5½
To cash received since to the 19th of October, 1721, inclusive ...	751	8	0				
Total	973	6	1½				
Deduct	785	16	5½				
Balance in cash ...	£187	9	8				
Besides in the hands of Messrs. Burton and Harrison ...	300	0	0				

N.B.—The Office owes several considerable debts, which when paid, will be more than the above balance will answer.

Roll xix. m. 126. 'According to an order of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office, we, the undernamed, did, on the 27th of September last, take the soundings of the bar, it being a fine calm day, the wind at north east, and three days after the full moon, and found it of the following depth, videlicet: 1721. Dublin Bar. Soundings.

'At high water, beginning at the Pearch, then to the bar, from eighteen foot and a half to twenty four, at which depth it extended itself about half a mile each side of the buoy, and at low water from the lower end of Pool Begg to the buoy at the bar, from eight foot and a half to eight and three quarters; and we having further discovered one Edward Edwards, who is appointed by the Anchorage Office to look after the buoys and to take the soundings of the bar once a week; he declared that the above soundings was the depth he found it generally, excepting when the wind was at south east, which made it much higher, and when the wind was at north west, somewhat lower, and that he was sure that the water is now a foot and a half deeper than when the Ballast Office was first erected, which is further confirmed to us as it doth appear by the map of soundings taken by Mr. Moland, city surveyor, when the Ballast Office was first erected: Report. Pool Begg. Edwards. Anchorage Office. Wind. Depth. Moland.

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours:

'John Porter.—John Reyson.—Robert Nesbitt.'

m. 129. Admissions to franchise. Franchise.

m. 126 *b*. 1721. November 17.

Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee appointed to treat about the purchase of the mill at Dolphins Barn for the city, had made their report of the 16th of November instant, which report is as followeth, videlicet: Mill. Dolphins Barn.

'We, the within committee, have laid the above lease before Mr. Recorder, and have further treated with Mrs. Pilkington concerning the mill at Dolphins Barn; she Committee. Report.

1721. Mill. proposes to sell and assign the lease of the said mill, with its appurtenances, to the city for the sum of one hundred and forty pounds, sterling, which we think more advantageous to the city than to give one hundred pounds, exclusive of the body of the mill, as was formerly Kane. reported, and it is our opinion that Mr. Joseph Kane agree with her for the said sum of one hundred and forty pounds, and that her lease be assigned and made over in such manner as your honours shall think fit. Dated the 16th day of November, 1721:' Roll xix. m. 126 d.

And the said commons, praying that the said report Order. might be confirmed, the following order was made: Granted; the committees report confirmed, and the lease to be assigned in such manner as Mr. Recorder shall advise.

1721. December 15.

Captain John Perry. Certain of the commons, setting forth that captain John Perry, having come into this kingdom, on the application of some gentlemen, in order to give his advice and assistance in several matters relating to the Dublin harbour. rendering this harbour more commodious and safe for shipping, and having appeared before a committee of the House of Commons, appointed to inquire into the state of the Ballast Office, and having laid before the Schemes. committee of the Ballast Office several schemes for that Gratuity. purpose, prayed that such gratuity might be given him for his trouble and service as should be thought proper: ordered the sum of one hundred pounds, sterling, be given to captain Perry for giving his advice and laying Ballast Office his schemes before the committee of the Ballast Office for rendering the harbour of Dublin more commodious and safe for shipping, the same to be paid out of the produce of the Ballast Office.

1721-2. 1721-2. January 19.—Fourth Friday after 25 December, 1721. m. 133.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the

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committee for regulating the management of the city pipe water had made a report of the eleventh of January, 1721, instant, and prayed to confirm the said report. with such further order as should be thought proper, which report is as followeth: 1721-2. Committee. City pipe water.

'Pursuant to the order of assembly, made the twentieth of last October, we did appoint Mr. Digby Ormsby, Mr. Richard Darling, and Mr. Samuel Lisson to take the numbers of common pipes, brewers, malsters, and sugar bakers in the several districts; that we did appoint to each of them the which was ordered to compare the same for the more certainty with the returns which were made by the committee when they were subdivided for that purpose, and we do find both the said returns to agree pretty well, only some difference in some few streets or lanes, which will be further inspected into before the complete rolls be made of the same:' Report. Brewers. Malsters. Sugar-bakers.

Committee continued, and to proceed on the inspection: allowed.

'And we observe the difference between the returns now made and the charge made by alderman Page to be near two hundred pipes, and that there hath not been a true distinction made in the said charge of alderman Page between the brewers, etc. and the common pipes, nor do we find that some of the very brewers taken notice of have been charged with what they ought to pay, some paying four pounds per annum and others but thirty shillings:' Page. Pipes. Brewers.

Ordered that the committee shall distinguish and agree with the brewers, no brewer to pay more than five pounds per annum nor less than three pounds; the malsters, distillers and sugar bakers to be also agreed with and charged at the discretion of the committee: allowed.

'That we find very large arrears in alderman Page's book, though some receipts have been produced, which show that such arrears ought not to be charged, and Arrears.

1721-2. therefore we find it will be very difficult to make a just charge of the said arrears which the receivers are to receive by; therefore we think it most convenient that Roll xix. m. 133.

Committee. the committee may subdivide themselves and be at the Tholsel. Tholsell, day after day in their turns, in order to settle with the several inhabitants by their several districts that have pipes and are in arrears of rent for the same, and in order to receive from them their arrears, and with such abatement as your honours will think fit, and which is hoped the same may bring in a considerable sum:'

Ordered that the committee proceed accordingly, and to settle and compound as they shall think fit and reasonable: allowed.

'That we conceive it will be necessary that three Pipe water revenue. persons may be appointed to collect the said pipe water Collectors. revenue, that is two for the south side of the river, the same to be divided in two districts, and one for the north side of the river:'

Ordered accordingly and allowed.

Books. 'And we think it proper to have proper books, and ruled convenient for that purpose, for each of the said districts, and that we think it necessary that books of receipts, printed like the hearth money receipts, and the duplicate of each to be filled up by the receivers in each book, and to remain in the same for the observation of the committee that shall hereafter examine the same; and that we conceive that each receiver in passing his Accounts. Oath. accounts then make oath of the truth of such accounts, and that they give security for their true performance:'

Order. ordered accordingly: allowed.

On which report the following order was made: m 133 b. ordered that the committee be continued, and that the report be copied and the several orders thereon confirmed as annexed, and that all other matters relating to the pipe water be also referred to the said committee for the better regulating thereof: allowed.

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[2.] Richard Darling, setting forth that the committee for taking care of the management of the city pipe water reported him to be a fit person to collect the pipe water revenue for that part of the city on the north side of the river Liffy, and therefore prayed to be admitted into that employ, having undeniable security for his faithful and true performance: ordered that the petitioner be admitted one of the collectors of the pipe water during the city's pleasure of the within district, at twelve pence per pound for such money as he shall collect, giving good security for his true performance, and for every pipe he shall discover to be laid in clandestinely he shall receive half the fine that shall be paid for such pipe, and his accounts from time to time to be returned on oath, and the same to be made half yearly : allowed. 1721. Darling. Pipe water revenue Collectors

[3.] Digby Ormsby, setting forth that he was appointed by the said committee to take an account of the pipes from the west side of Bride street, Warbrough's street and Fishamble street, directly to the river Liffy, and all the streets, lanes and alleys westward as far as the city pipes extend on the south side of the Liffy, and therefore prayed to be admitted receiver of the said district ordered that the petitioner be admitted one of the collectors of the pipe water, during the citys pleasure, of the within district at twelve pence per pound for such money as he shall collect, giving good security, etc., as in no. [2]. Ormsby. Streets.

[4.] Samuel Lisson, setting forth that by the committee for inspecting into the management of the city pipe water he was appointed to take an account of the pipes from the east side of Bride street, Warbrough's street, Fishamble street, directly to the Liffy, and all the streets, lanes and alleys eastward as far as the city pipes extend on the south side of the Liffy, which he accordingly did, and was thought a proper person by the committee to collect the same, and praying to be admitted collector of Lisson. Pipes. Account.

1721-2. the said district: ordered that the petitioner be admitted one of the collectors of the pipe water, during the city's pleasure, of the within district, at twelve pence per pound for such money as he shall collect, giving good security, etc., as in no. [2]. Rol xix. m. 133 d.

[5.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee appointed for regulating the cleansing the streets had made their report of the 17th of January, 1721[-2], instant, whereto is affixed the annual charge the city has been at in that affair, which report is as followeth, videlicet:

Committee. Cleansing streets.

Report. 'We, the committee for regulating the cleansing the streets of this city, having appointed a sub-committee to examine the accounts and the annual charge the city has been at to complete that work to the first of November last, and they making strict inquiry into the same find the whole amounts to nine hundred ninety two pounds, thirteen shillings six pence halfpenny, as by the said account hereto annexed may appear; we further report to your honours that there have been very great complaints made by the inhabitants of the Strand, by reason of the dirt and filth of the streets and markets being laid down there by the city carts, which doth occasion a great stench, and is prejudicial to the several inhabitants there as well as to all persons who pass that way, and we have upon said complaint looked out for a convenient place to lay down the said dirt, and do find a very convenient plot of ground belonging to Mr. John Moland in Mabbot street, containing about three hundred and sixty foot in front to the street and about one hundred foot deep, and we have treated with the said Mr. Moland for the same, and have brought him to the conditions following, videlicet: he proposes to set the said ground for sixty one years, either party to be free after the first twenty one years, giving twelve months notice in writing, and after at every seven years on the like notice, at the yearly rent of five pounds per annum

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for the first eleven years, and six pounds per annum for 1721-2.
the remainder of the term, and he to allow to the city
three years rent towards the building of a wall to be at Wall.
least six foot high, of lime and stone, and the city to
leave said ground level when the time shall be out, and
the stones and gravel now lying on the premises to be
removed by the said Mr. Moland, all which conditions
we conceive to be very reasonable; we think it will be
for the advantage of the city that a small convenient
place in the stable yard be built for the overseer of the
stables, horses, etc., to live in, it being necessary he
should be there very early and late, which he cannot so
conveniently do in the winter season, at which time there
is most occasion for him, should he live in another place:'
And the said commons praying that the former com-
mittee should be continued, with such further order as
should be thought proper: it was ordered that the said
committee be continued and a lease be perfected with Lease.
Mr. Moland according to the within report, with such
clauses as Mr. Recorder shall advise, and that the said
committee do order that a small convenient place be
built in the stable yard for the uses in the said report
mentioned: allowed.

[6.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that formerly
a petition was preferred for taking a piece of ground
from sir Samuel Cooke for the conveniency of supplying Sir Samuel Cooke.
the city effectually with water, which petition was Water supply.
referred to a committee, who reported that the city
should pay for a fee farm of the said piece of ground Ground.
nine pounds eight shillings rent and nineteen pounds
ten shillings as a fine in lieu of renewals, receivers fees Rent.
and duties formerly insisted on by the said sir Samuel
Cooke, which report was confirmed; but sir Samuel
Cooke not agreeing thereto, and insisting on nine
pounds eight shillings per annum rent, six pence per
pound receivers' fees, eighteen pounds sixteen shillings
as a fine in lieu of renewals, and a sugar loaf, or five Sugar loaf.

1721-2. shillings in lieu thereof, at every Michaelmas, and in regard the said piece of ground will be of great service to the city, prayed that a fee farm lease be taken thereof Rent. by the city at the yearly rent of nine pounds eight shillings, eighteen pounds sixteen shillings fine, six pence per pound receivers fees, and a sugar loaf, or five shillings Lease. in lieu thereof, at every Michaelmas: ordered that a lease be taken according to the prayer of the petition, as Mr. Recorder shall advise, the rent to commence Michaelmas last. Roll xix. m. 132.

[7.] Certain of the commons, setting forth an order of the 13th June last, for taking a small piece of ground Tighe. adjoining the watercourse from Richard Tighe, esquire, at forty shillings per annum, which lease is not as yet perfected, and prayed the same might be perfected next assembly: granted: allowed.

[8.] On the petition of the ministers and church-French church. St. Patrick's wardens of the French church of Saint Patrick's, Dublin, setting forth that their said church, being in a ruinous condition, they were advised to pull down the roof thereof Repairs. and repair the same; that the charge is much greater than the estimate given in, and therefore pray the city's assistance and charity in repairing the said church: whereupon it is ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Payment. Mayor's warrant, do pay the petitioners for the uses therein mentioned the sum of fifty pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts: allowed. m. 132 b.

Auditors. [9.] Lord Mayor, Sherriffs, aldermen Forbes, Stoyte, Bolton, Barkey, Quayle, Wilkinson, Cheatham, Dickson, Porter, and eighteen of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any nine of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs are always two, are appointed auditors of the city accounts for the last year.

[The eighteen of the commons:]

Commons. Joseph Keane, Humphrey French, Charles Hendrick, William Empson, Vincent Kidder, Major Aldrich, Major

Roll xix. m 132 b. Verdoen, James Stevenson, William Aston, William Hendrick, David Latouche, Philip Pearson, John Reid, William Hayes, Thomas Ellis, John Stearne, John Taylor, Richard Gunne: allowed. 1721-2.

[10.] James Somervell and Nathaniel Kane, late Sherriffs, are appointed masters of the city works for the ensueing year: allowed. Masters of city works.

[11.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: granted: allowed. Assembly.

[12.] Samuel Reynolds and Darby Severy, setting forth that the committee appointed to examine their petition for attending the water course leading from the river Dodder to this city had made the following report, videlicet Reynolds. Severy. Water-course. Dodder.

'We, the committee appointed for the river Dodder, are of opinion that Darby Severy and Samuel Reynolds be paid the sum of fourteen pounds, sterling, seven pounds each, for their service, being seventeen weeks and four days at eight shillings per week, which is humbly submitted to your honour this 14th day of November, 1721:' Committee. Report.

And the said Samuel Reynolds and Darby Severy praying to confirm the said report and make it an act of assembly, the following order was made: granted: the report confirmed, and that the petitioners be paid, pursuant to the report, the sum therein mentioned on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Payment.

[13.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly, the 19th of January, 1721: Ballast Office.

'Pursuant to your honours' orders to us of the last assembly, we have set down the two frames mentioned in the last report, and do find that all pipes and frames driven at the west end, and set down at the east end of the said piles, do stand hitherto without losing one pile or any of them being undermined or carried away or overturned, and the people do say that the said piles and Report.

1721-2. frames are a great shelter to such ships as lie in Pool Roll xix. m. 132 b.
Poolbegg. Fishing boats. Begg and to the fishing boats that fish in the harbour. It has happened every season when the weather obliged the piling work to cease for that season, that by the great check the piles gave the water, they occasioned the same to run with a greater force by the ends of the said piles, which made a slough or greater depth of water at the ends of the said piles than in other places, which has happened now, for where we set down the last frames there was two foot depth of water at low water, but the slough is now about four foot and a half at low water. The surveyors and workmen belonging to the said Office, m. 131. do say that all such former sloughs were filled up with
Clontarf. some gabbard loads of Clantarf shingle, and levelled with the rest of the strand, which was the means used by which the said piling work was carried on, and it is but adding some gabbard loads more to fill up and level the present slough, which, when done, will make as practicable to carry on the frame work a great way farther eastward as it was to set them down that are already done, and with a little alteration in making the said frames they will answer your expectation ordered the said work to be done:' allowed.

Timber. 'The 60 tuns of Wicklow timber reported in our last are fallen short three tuns 19½ feet, so that we have received but fifty six tuns 30½ feet; they cannot supply us with any more, and in regard the said timber which we received was so very good, and twelve tuns of it being square, we have paid them for what they have delivered, and in consideration of the above said twelve tuns of square timber, which was delivered at fifty feet to the tun, we have allowed them three guineas more than what their agreement was for:

'And we farther take notice to your honours that we have received information that numbers of carts do from
Sand. time to time carry away great quantities of sand off the
South Bull. South Bull, which we apprehend is highly prejudicial to

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the harbour, and therefore are of opinion that it would be necessary that the Lord Mayor should issue a proclamation to prevent that evil practice, and promise a reward to any one that should discover the same:' Ordered accordingly, as Mr. Recorder shall advise: allowed. 1721-2. Proclamation.

'The gabbards, the floats and rigging belonging to them have cost the Office above five hundred pounds in repairing them; this season, when the carpenters brought in one bill, the committee thought the price of the timber too high, and referred it to a sub-committee, who understand and sell timber, who report the said timber to be overcharged at least twelve pounds, sterling. How the Office is dealt with in the workmanship and other things we know not, having no officer to take care of the said work, and Mr. Hoult, not being returned, has sent a letter to pray a month longer time, which is hereunto annexed; Mercer and Morton had as much business as they could do, and have been forced to get help to assist them in furnishing ships with ballast. Gabbards.

'The great charge of repairing the gabbards and floats, and paying captain Perry one hundred pounds, has brought the Office in debt, but there is as much timber in the Ballast Office timber-yard as will make about ten or twelve frames more, if your honours think it proper to go on with the said work when the season of the year offers, by which time money may come in to carry on the same. Perry.

'After captain Perry was paid the said hundred pounds, the committee had the curiosity of having the models which the said captain made for the use of Dublin harbour left in the Ballast Office, and in order thereunto desired the ballast master to write to him to that purpose, which letter, with his answer to the same, are hereunto annexed: all which is humbly submitted to your honours. Models. Dublin harbour.

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed:

'Mathew Pearson.—Thomas Wilkinson.—John Reyson.

1721-2. —John Porter.—David Latouche.—John Vareilles.—John Taylor.—Robert Nesbitt.—Thomas Corker.—Gilbert King.—William Aldrich.' Roll xix. m. 131.

[14.] Mathew Pearson, alderman, setting forth that by mesne conveyance he is become tenant to the city for a holding near to Polegate, formerly set to John Pacy, esquire, for lives with renewals, videlicet, the lives of Nathaniel Pearson, Philip Pearson and Jacob Warns, which said Jacob Warns died in November last, and therefore prayed that the said lease be renewed in his own name, and that the life of Nathaniel Pearson, his grandson, be inserted in the said new lease instead of the said Jacob Warns, deceased: granted: allowed.'

Polegate.

Ballast Office. An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 19th of October, 1721, exclusive, to the 10th of January, 1721[-2], inclusive: m. 131 *b*.

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cr.	£	s.	d.
Balance of accounts given in to the last assembly ...	187	9	8	By sundry disbursements on the Office accounts, from the 19th of October, 1721, exclusive, to 18th of January, 1721[-2], inclusive	896	14	1
To cash received of ships, etc., from the 19th of October, 1721, exclusive, to the 18th of January, 1721[-2], inclusive	531	10	6	Balance in the Office ...	122	6	1
To cash received from Messrs. Burton and Harrison ..	300	0	0	Total,	£1019	0	2
Total	£1019	0	2				

N.B —The Office owes several considerable debts, which, when paid, will be more than the above balance will answer.

Franchise. Admissions to franchise. m. 134.

1721-2. February 9. m. 131 *b*.

Statue of George I. [1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee for his majestie's statue made a report of the 18th of August last, wherein it is recited that the four

Pedestal. panels for the pedestal, to be raised to erect the said statue on, be of Italian marble, the front thereof to be of

Roll xix. m. 131 b. white, the two side panels and rear panel to be of veined marble, finely polished, with a cornice of black marble round the same, which report was confirmed: 1721-2.

Since which time the committee met and consulted Captain Burgh in relation to the said marble, who is of opinion that the pedestal be of Carrickmacross or Portland stone without marble, and proposed for ornament to the said statue that two sentry boxes of said stone be made adjoining the bridge in which are to be fixed the iron gates: and therefore prayed that the committee be impowered to treat for and buy such stone as should be thought most proper, and to agree with the best stonecutters for carrying on the work: Burgh. Carrickmacross stone. Bridge.

Whereupon it is ordered that the committee be impowered to buy a sufficient quantity of Carrickmacross or Portland stone for the uses in the petition, and to treat and agree with good workmen to carry on the said work as Captain Burgh shall advise, and that the sentry boxes mentioned in the petition be made as the committee shall direct: allowed. Workmen. Sentry boxes.

[2.] Certain of the commons, setting forth to last Christmas assembly that in auditing the city accounts it hath been found that there are considerable lands belonging to the city under the denomination of lands out of possession, waste and unknown, and notwithstanding there was a committee on foot some time past, yet no discoveries have been made of such lands, which was chiefly occasioned by not giving encouragement by act of assembly to those who may have it in their power to discover the same, and therefore prayed that a committee might be appointed, and that some encouragement be given to those who shall or may discover any of the said lands; which petition was referred to a committee, who made the following report: City lands.

m. 130. 'We, the committee appointed to consider the contents of the within petition, think it proper for the advantage of the city, that if any person or persons at any time

1721-2. hereafter shall discover any lands or tenements belonging to the city, and now out of the city's possession, he or they shall, when such lands or tenements are recovered by the city as a reward for such discovery, have a lease of the said concern so discovered by him or them at a third part less than the present real yearly value; and in case such discoverer or discoverers be not inclinable to take such lease, that then he or they shall be intituled to one-third of the yearly rent that such lands and tenements shall be set for to any other person: which we submit to your honours this 9th day of February, 1721-2:

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Recovery of lands.

Rewards.

'Thomas Curtis.—Nathaniel Pearson.—George Forbes.—Thomas Bolton.—John Porter.—William Empson.—Ringan Trotter.—John Sican'

And the said commons praying to confirm the said report and make the same an act of assembly, the following order was made: granted: the committee's report confirmed and allowed.

1721-2. March 9.

Certain of the commons, setting forth that it hath been usual for the lords justices to be presented with the freedom of this city; that his excellencie lord Shannon, one of the lords justices of this kingdom, has not as yet received that compliment, and therefore prayed that his excellencie be presented with the freedom of the city in a gold box, as usual: granted: allowed.

Lords justices.

Franchise.

Presentation.

Gold box.

1722. 1722. April 6. m. 137.

[1.] Robert Fortune, clerk to the right honourable Thomas Curtis, esquire, Lord Mayor, setting forth that the burthen of the office of Lord Mayor of this city is much greater than heretofore, and that the Mayoralty for these few years past has been and now is attended with much greater expense than formerly, and therefore prays an augmentation: ordered that the treasurer pay to the petitioner, on the Lord Mayors warrant, for his Lordships

Mayoralty

Expense.

Payment.

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use, the sum of four hundred pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. 1722.

[2.] Jacob Peppard, esquire, Town Clerk, setting forth that Nathaniel Pearson and Joseph Nuttall, esquires, present Sherriffs, have been and are so wholly taken up in the discharge of their office that their private affairs have very much suffered; that it is apparent what great expense the said Sherriffs are at, and the income ariseing by the office being much lessened by a late act of parliament, it cannot near defray their charge, and therefore prays an augmentation: ordered that the treasurer pay to the petitioners, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, for the use of the present Sherriffs, two hundred pounds, sterling, videlicet, one hundred pounds, sterling, to each, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Peppard, Town Clerk. Sheriffs. Expense. Augmentation. Payment.

[3.] Joseph Bentley, merchant, setting forth that Mr. George Walton, city marshal, having consented to resign to him the said employ of city marshal, and that he is ready to give sufficient security for the due discharge of the said employment, as in such cases is usual, and therefore prays to be admitted to succeed the said George Walton in the said employ: granted, during the city's pleasure, on the surrender of the said George Walton, with all the fees and perquisites thereunto belonging, the petitioner giving Robert Bentley, of Kennedy's lane, merchant, and Edmond Sheile, of Patrick street, brewer, security not only to indempnify the city from all escapes, neglects and misdemeanours committed or suffered to be committed, made or done during the time the said George Walton has been marshal, and during such time as he shall continue to be marshal; and the petitioner likewise paying eighty pounds per annum to the city for the rent of the said marshalsea during his continuance therein, to be paid half yearly, and to commence from the 25th day of March last, and to perfect a lease for the same, with the usual clauses as Mr. Recorder shall advise: allowed. Bentley. Walton. City Marshal. Grant. Fees. Perquisites. Escapes. Misdemeanors. Rent of Marshalsea.

1722. Winter, stationer. [4.] William Winter, citizen and stationer of Dublin, setting forth that by several misfortunes he is reduced to poverty, and therefore prays the citys charity: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayors warrant, pay the petitioner six pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Roll xix. m. 137.

John Low, brewer. [5.] John Low, late of the city of Dublin, brewer, setting forth that by several misfortunes he is reduced to poverty, and therefore prays the citys charity: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayors warrant, pay the petitioner twenty pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Thwaites, attorney. [6.] Augustin Thwaites, gentleman, setting forth that he is desirous to become an attorney of the Tholsell Court, and therefore prays to be admitted: granted during the citys pleasure.

Bureau. [7.] Anne Bureau, widow, setting forth that on the 7th of November, 1720, the city borrowed from her the sum of one thousand pounds, sterling, payable in one year from the date, with interest for the same at five pounds per cent. per annum; that she apprehends that six per cent. is the very lowest interest now given for money, and therefore prays that six per cent. per annum be paid her by the city: ordered that the petitioner be paid six pounds per annum for the said sum of one thousand pounds from the 7th day of May next as interest for the same. m. 137 b.

Loan.

Interest.

Assembly. [8.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: granted: allowed.

Forbes. [9.] George Forbes, alderman, having formerly petitioned and set forth that he was in possession of a dwellinghouse and house of easement belonging thereto in the Black dog yard, on which house of easement the city have improved and built to the prejudice of the petitioner, and praying that a committee might be appointed to examine the petition, which petition was referred to a committee, who made the following reports:

Black dog yard.

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'We, the within committee, have viewed the premises in the petition, and find that the city have built on part of the petitioners ground, six foot in the front and six foot in depth; we are of opinion the petitioner be paid for the said ground so built on twenty shillings per annum, as an acknowledgment from the city, to commence from Michaelmas last, the petitioner giving a lease thereof to the city at the rent aforesaid during the time he has therein, being about fifty years to come: dated this 16th day of March, 1721:' 1722 Report.

'We, the committee, have again viewed the premises [named] in the petition, and on further inquiry find the city some time since built on part of the ground, six foot eight inches in the front and ten foot in depth; we are of opinion the petitioner be paid for the time the city has enjoyed the same three pounds, sterling, and that the city for the future pay the petitioner for the said ground so built on thirty shillings per annum rent, to be paid half yearly and to commence from Michaelmas last, the petitioner giving a lease thereof to the city at the rent aforesaid during the time he has therein, being about forty-four years to come: dated the 30th March, 1722.' Report.

And having prayed this assembly to make the report an act of assembly: granted according to the committees report of the 30th March last, and leases to be drawn and perfected as Mr. Recorder shall advise.

[10.] Mathew Pearson, of the city of Dublin, alderman, having formerly petitioned and set forth that by mesne conveyance he is become tenant to the city for a holding near Polegate, formerly set by the city to John Pacy, esquire, for three lives, with renewals, videlicet, the lives of Nathaniel Pearson, Philip Pearson, and Jacob Warns, which said Jacob Warns died in November last, and therefore prayed that the said lease may be renewed in his own name, and that the life of Mathew Pearson, his grandson, may be inserted in the said new lease in the stead and place of the said Jacob Warns, deceased, and Pearson. Polegate.

1722. Dolphins Barn. having at the same time further set forth that he was interested in a holding in Dolphins Barn, where he had a good stone house, slated, two stories and a half high, and two rooms on each floor, with a good background, and a large garden thereunto belonging, which stands as conveniently for collecting the city tolls and customs and for the custom man's dwelling as any house in that place, which said house was never yet set at less than six pounds, but, for the good of the public, he was willing to set a lease of the same to the city from Lady day then next, at the yearly rent of five pounds, five shillings per annum, it being the reserved rent and duties which he pays to the city for the said Pacy's late holding, which petition was referred to a committee, who made the following report:

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m. 136.

Committee.

Report. 'We, the committee appointed for the management of the tolls and customs, have considered the within matter to us referred, and think that the within house and premises proposed by the petitioner is convenient for collecting the city tolls and customs and for the collector to dwell in; that a lease be taken thereof by the city for the use aforesaid for the term of thirty one years, to commence from Lady day next, at the yearly rent of five pounds, five shillings, sterling, to be paid half yearly, which we think to be a reasonable rent, and will tend to the advantage of the city, the petitioner giving possession of the same in tenantable order and repair:' and he having this assembly set forth that the committee to whom the contents of the said petition were referred, made the above report of the 15th of March last; that the city last assembly ordered a lease to be made to him in his own name of a holding formerly set to John Pacy, esquire, near to Polegate, for lives, with renewals, as also a life to be inserted in the said lease instead of Jacob Warns, deceased, which as yet is not done, and now prays said report to be confirmed and the said renewal to be made pursuant to former order, and put under the

Roll xix. m 136. city seal next assembly: ordered that the committee's report be confirmed, and that a lease be taken of the premises reported, as Mr. Recorder shall advise, and that the life be inserted and the lease renewed to the petitioner in his own name, the same to be sealed next assembly. 1722.

[11.] Thomas Hoult, of the Ballast Office, setting forth that by leave of the city he went to England, where he was detained longer than he expected, for which he was suspended, that he met with many misfortunes and disappointments, and is reduced to a low condition, and therefore prayed to be restored to his imploy and salary: ordered that the petitioners suspension be taken off, and that the petitioner be restored to his place and salary, allowing one quarter's salary to be paid Mr. Mercer and Mr. Morton, who officiated for him in his absence, there being no more due to him at this time. Ballast Office.

[12.] Alderman Robert Cheatham elected Lord Mayor of the city of Dublin for the ensuing year, commencing Michaelmas next. Cheatham.

[13.] John Macarrell and Robert Nesbitt, esquires, elected Sherriffs of the said city for the said year, commencing Michaelmas next Sheriffs.

[14.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 6th April, 1722: Ballast Office.

'Pursuant to your honours' orders of the last assembly to us directed, we have proceeded in filling up the slough or depth of water at the east end of the frames, mentioned in our last report, and have filled it so that it is now level with the adjoining strand, and is as capable of having frames set down on it farther to the east as it was last year, if your honours think it proper to go on with the said work:' ordered to proceed. Report.

'We do find that all the frames that were set down last season do stand as safe and as well as when they were first set down, not one of them being either under- Frames.

1722 mined or overturned nor one pile of them lost; if, therefore, carrying on the said work as far eastward as to shelter the ships which will lie in Polebegg be of benefit to trade or service to the harbour, and that the said work goes on, it cannot be done but by setting down more frames:' ordered to proceed. Roll xix. m. 136. m. 136 b.

'Old Walter Bermingham died on the 19th of March last, by whose death there is a ship carpenter wanting to take care of the gabbards, and also a hand to row in the boat, both which places he discharged while he was able, but by his being illiterate there is reason to suspect that the Office was not so well dealt with as it should be, for the same committee that examined the ship carpenter's second bill reports that in the article of the pieces of timber he overcharges eight pounds, sterling, and in our last report we gave your honours an account of twelve pounds overcharged on the same account in his former bill.

South Bull. Sand. 'The evil practice of carrying away great quantities of sand off the South Bull, which was complained of in our last report, is still continued, and no means is yet used to prevent it, but another evil is added to it by people digging out the stones from amongst the piles to get muscles that breed there, which practice in a little time will make way for the water to run through, and so undermine the work, if some means be not speedily used to prevent it:' ordered that the committee give such directions as may prevent the like evil for the future.

Timber. 'An account of what timber is now in the yard is hereunto annexed. Mr. Hoult is arrived from London, and has applied to us to recommend his and his family's condition to your honours' consideration, that his suspension may be taken off:

'There were directions formerly given by your honours that in case oak timber fit for piling could not be got, red fir timber might be made use of instead thereof.

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed.'

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An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 18th of January, 1721[-2], exclusive, to the 5th of April, 1722, inclusive: 1722.

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
To balance of accounts to the last assembly	122	6	1	By sundry disbursements on the Office account, from the 18th January, 1721[-2], exclusive, to 5th April, inclusive ...	401	12	7
To cash received of ships, etc., from the 18th January, 1721[-2], to the 5th April, 1722, inclusive	533	4	5	To cash paid into Messrs. Burton and Harrison for the Office use	150	0	0
				Balance in the Office ..	103	17	11
Total ...	£655	10	6	Total ...	£655	10	6

N.B.—The Office owes more money than the above balance will answer.

m 121. Admissions to franchise. Franchise.

m. 135. 1722. May 29.

Certain of the commons, setting forth by petition to the said assembly that Joseph Leeson, of the city of Dublin, brewer, being a freeman of this city, and thereby obliged to attend the sword as often as thereunto required, that as often as so required he has neglected so to do, and therefore pray that the said Joseph Leeson be disfranchised and divested of his said freedom: granted: allowed. Joseph Leeson, brewer.

1722. July 20.—Fourth Friday after 24 June.

m. 140. [1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that a bill was preferred in his majestie's high court of chancery against alderman Constantine by Edmond St. John and Bridget, his wife, concerning a lease made to him by the city, to which bill the city is made a party, and that Mr. Recorder had drawn an answer thereto for the city, and prayed that the same should be put under the city seal as the answer of the Lord Mayor, Sherriffs, commons and citizens of this city: granted: allowed. Chancery. Constantine. St. John. City.

[2.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that as a grateful acknowledgment of the many favours conferred on this city by his present majestie, king George, they George I.

1722. Statue. have erected a statue to perpetuate his memory, which is to be opened to public view on the first of August next; Roll xix. m. 140.

Solemnity. that in order the more splendidly to solemnize the day,

Wine. it is prayed that two hogsheads of wine may be running on the said occasion: granted: that the treasurer provide the said wine at the city charge, and to be placed in such place as the Lord Mayor and Sherriffs shall appoint.

Peppard, Town Clerk. [3.] Jacob Peppard, esquire, Town Clerk, setting forth that it was usual for the Sherriffs of this city annually

Landgabel. to collect six pence per house, by the name of landgabel money, towards the support of their office; that by act of last Michaelmas assembly, on petition of certain of the commons, setting forth the said usage and the several inconveniencies that attended the same, and the inability of several poor people to pay it, for which reason the land gabel of six pence per house was ordered to be

Remission. remitted for the future; that Nathaniel Pearson and

Sheriffs. Joseph Nuttall, esquires, present Sherriffs, being the first who have not collected according to the said custom, will

Perquisites. thereby suffer in the perquisites belonging to their office, and in regard the prayer of the said petition was that the Sherriffs of this city might have an equivalent to the said usage so remitted, the petitioner therefore prayed such equivalent for the present as should be thought meet: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's

Payment. warrant, pay to the petitioner, for the use of the present Sherriffs, thirty pounds, sterling, videlicet, fifteen pounds to each, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Moody, City gardener. [4.] Robert Moody, city gardener, setting forth that on the fourth of May, 1721, he was ordered by the city

Bason. to stake and lay out a bason near the Work-house, and continued sole director of the work according to a plan thereof till Michaelmas following; that he constantly

Walks. attended levelling the walks and making the borders and

Borders. Trees. planting the trees, and prayed a consideration for such his services: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord

Roll xix m. 140. Mayor's warrant, pay to the petitioner for his said service the sum of forty pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. 1722.

m. 140 b. [5.] John Lutly, shipwright, praying to be admitted carpenter, boatman and overseer of the gabbards belonging to the Ballast Office: ordered that the petitioner be admitted into the place of Walter Bermingham, deceased, during the city's pleasure, at the same salary that Bermingham had, the petitioner from time to time observing and following the directions and orders of the committee of directors of the Ballast Office, and to work at the frames when the committee of directors shall order him. Ballast Office.

[6.] Certain of the commons, praying that new liveries and caps be bought by the city for the halberteers, and that the Tholsell be white-washed: granted: allowed. Liveries. Halberteers.

[7.] William Davis, gentleman, praying to be admitted one of the attorneys of the Tholsell court: granted, during the city's pleasure. Davis, attorney.

[8.] Michael Mitchel, gentleman, praying a consideration for cleaning and varnishing all the pictures in the Lord Mayor's hall, and new painting the pictures of king William and queen Mary, together with the drapery of queen Ann and king Charles pictures: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner for his said service the sum of fifteen pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Mitchel, Pictures. Payment.

[9.] James Clarke, esquire setting forth that in the late queen's time, when the city privileges were struck at, he was imployed by the lord chief justice Forster, then Recorder, as agent or attorney for the then Lord Mayor, Aldermen, Sherriffs and citizens in the disputes at that time carrying on, by which means he incurred the displeasure of the judges of the king's bench, in which court he was an attorney, and therefore prayed a recompence for his services: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay to the petitioner fifty pounds Clarke. Forster, Recorder Disputes. Grant.

1722. sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Roll xix. m 140 b

[10.] Richard West, Rowland Parker, Gilbert Kelly and Mathew Bowen, adjutants to the horse and foot militia of this city, praying a consideration for their services in attending their several regiments: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, do pay the petitioners twenty pounds, sterling, videlicet, five pounds to each, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Adjutants.

Militia regiments.

[11.] The minister, churchwardens and parishioners of the parish of St. Audoen's, Dublin, setting forth that the committee appointed to lay out proper ground for building watch houses in the said parish had made their report as followeth:

St. Audoen's parish.

Watch-houses.

Report.

'We, the within committee, have taken the annexed petition into our consideration, and think it proper that one watch house be built at the corner of the Old Bridge on Ushers quay, and that another watch house be built in Old Corn Market where the Conduit formerly stood, the said watch houses to be built at the expense of the parishioners of St. Audoen's parish:' which we submit to your honours, this 26th of April, 1722, and praying this assembly to confirm the said report:

Old Bridge.

Corn market.

Ordered that leave be given for building a watch-house adjoining the Bridge on Ushers quay at the charge of the said parish, the same to be built over the water in the corner between the quay and the Bridge.

[12.] Margaret Conduit, widow of Stephen Conduit, setting forth that her husband was a freeman of Trinity Guild, and served in several stations in the city; that by misfortunes he was reduced and left the petitioner in a deplorable condition, and therefore prayed relief from the city: ordered that the treasurer pay the petitioner ten pounds, sterling, to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Conduit.

Trinity Guild.

[13.] John Hendy, mason, setting forth that he was m. 139.

Hendy, mason.

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one of the masters employed to work about the pedestal near Essex bridge, that by prizeing of a stone on the arch he fell from thence into the river, by means whereof he was much bruised and in danger of his life; having a wife and a charge of children, prayed some relief for support of himself and family: ordered that the treasurer do pay the petitioner six pounds, sterling, and the same to be allowed him on his accounts. 1722. Essex bridge. Grant.

[14.] Walter Bryce, setting forth that he is an old freeman, and by losses reduced to poverty, and prays relief: ordered that the treasurer do pay, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, to the petitioner the sum of ten pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed on his accounts. Bryce.

[15.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly: ordered that the assembly be enlarged till nine o'clock. Assembly.

[16.] Catherine Clifford, widow of Thomas Clifford, praying to be admitted one of the city poor widows, instead of Mary Austin, deceased: ordered that the petitioner be admitted one of the city poor widows during the city's pleasure. Clifford. Poor widows.

[17.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly, July 20th, 1722: Ballast Office.

'Pursuant to your honours' orders of the last assembly to us directed, we have proceeded in carrying on the work of piling towards the east, and in order thereunto we have filled the slough, made by the sea at the end of the frames which we set down the last season, with Clantarfe shingle, and levelled the same; and with the timber and planks that remained in the yard last season and some parcels of timber and planks which we bought this season, we have made and set down twelve frames, which do extend in length to the east fifteen perch and eight feet, which twelve frames do stand very upright and straight, and in all probability will bear any storm, they being made twelve foot wide at the bottom and but seven feet wide at the top, and they are so framed and braced together Report. Frames. Clontarf.

1722. [1.] Robert Fortune, clerk to the right honourable the Lord Mayor, praying the usual allowance to support the dignity of the Mayoralty: ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay to the petitioner, for the use of his Lordship, the sum of five hundred pounds, sterling, one moiety at Christmas next, and the other moiety at midsummer next, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Roll xix. m. 144.

Mayoralty. Payment.

[2.] The said Robert Fortune, praying consideration for his services as clerk to the commissioners of array: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner ten pounds, the same to be allowed him on his accounts.

Commissioners of array.

[3.] Bartholomew Wybrants, praying consideration as clerk to the commons: ordered that the treasurer do pay the petitioner ten pounds, the same to be allowed him on his accounts.

Wybrants. Commons. Grant.

[4.] Richard Daniel, praying to be admitted one of the city attorneys: granted during the city's pleasure.

Daniel, attorney.

[5.] Andrew Kellinghunsen, German minister, praying the city's favour and contribution towards the purchase of a house for Divine service for a poor German congregation of Protestants: ordered that the petitioner be paid twenty pounds by the treasurer on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the same to be allowed him on his accounts.

German minister. Congregation. Protestants.

[6.] Thomas Neville, setting forth that he is one hundred years of age, and reduced to great poverty, and praying the city's consideration: ordered that the petitioner be paid twenty shillings in hand and four pounds per annum for the future, by quarterly payments, during the city's pleasure, the same to commence from Michaelmas last, the same to be allowed him on his accounts.

Neville. Grant.

[7.] John Montgomery, John Medcalfe, Greenwood Hanna, John Smith, Francis McCann, and William Justus, officers at mace, praying to continue their imploys: granted during the city's pleasure.

Officers at mace.

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[8.] John Lester, John Thompson, John Reilly, and Henry Tucker, Sherriffs' officers, praying to continue their imploys: granted during the city's pleasure. 1722. Sheriffs' officers.

[9.] John Hawkins, keeper of Newgate, praying to continue his imploy: granted during the city's pleasure

[10.] John Jones and Charles Craven, water bailiffs, praying to continue their imploys: granted during the city's pleasure. Water-Bailiffs.

[11.] Certain of the commons, praying that if the dispute between the city and captain Brooks, which was referred to the solicitor general and councillor Barnard, be not made an end of by the 25th day of December next, that the reference be broke off and not to proceed at law: ordered accordingly. Dispute. City. Brooks.

[12.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: ordered that the assembly be enlarged till nine o'clock. Assembly. Time.

m. 144 b.

[13.] Certain of the commons, praying that an humble address be presented to his majestie, expressing the city's utmost detestation and abhorrence of the late horrid conspiracy against his most sacred person and government, and to assure his majestie that the citizens of Dublin will, with the hazard of their lives and fortunes, stand by and support his majestie's rightful and undoubted title to the imperial crown of these realms against the Pretender, his aiders and abettors, and all other his majestie's enemies whatsoever: ordered that Mr. Recorder be desired to prepare an address accordingly. Address to George I.

[14.] Lieutenant William McCullagh, setting forth that by order of the right honourable the Lord Mayor, he drew out a company of grenadiers on the first of August last, when his majestie's effigy was first exposed to public view, and was on duty from seven o'clock in the morning till the corporations marched over the bridge, and therefore prays to be allowed the expense he was at on the said company, amounting to nine pounds, three McCullagh. Grenadiers. Statue of George I. Corporations.

1722. shillings and ninepence: ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay to the petitioner the sum of nine pounds three shillings and ninepence, the same to be allowed him on his accounts. Roll xix. m. 144 *b*.

Nelson. [15.] James Nelson, assistant to the masters of the city works, setting forth his particular services in overseeing the public works of the city, as going to Blessington to see and hew stones for his majestie's statue; to Carlow for a marble stone for the same; his undertaking to erect the same, which he effected to satisfaction; in weighing the hay for the city horses and seeing it made up; his frequent attendance at the city Bason till the same was finished, and his great fatigue in bringing a leaden main from the said Bason to James street; and therefore prays the city's consideration: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay to the petitioner the sum of sixty pounds, sterling, for his past services, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Blessington. Carlow. City Bason. Payment.

Mercer. [16.] Richard Mercer, clerk to the committee of directors for the Ballast Office, setting forth the smallness of his salary and the greatness of his charge, with which he is not able to subsist a numerous family as wife and seven small children, and therefore prays the city's consideration and augmentation of his salary: ordered that the petitioner's salary of ten pounds per annum be augmented to twenty-five pounds per annum for the future, during the city's pleasure, and that he be paid twenty pounds down by the Ballast Office for his extraordinary past services for officiating as clerk to the committee of directors for the Ballast Office: allowed.

Ballast Office. Grant.

Bentley, City Marshal. [17.] Joseph Bentley, city marshal, praying to have the following report confirmed and made an act of assembly, videlicet:

Report. 'We, the above committee, have examined the matter to us referred, and find the wall of the south end of said Marshalsea to be very weak and not fit to secure the petitioners; we are of opinion that two rooms over the

Marshalsea.

Roll xix. m. 144 b. cellar on the said south end be strengthened one story high by fixing prick posts of oak, four inches by five, in the inside of the wall, the said wall to be lined with two inch plank of oak, to be fitted with brick, and that hob nails be drove in the said plank to prevent the prisoners from sawing or cutting the same, the expense of which we conceive ought to be paid by the city ; we likewise think it proper that window shuts of slit deal be provided for the windows of the said prison, and that the floors thereof be mended and repaired as Mr. Nelson shall think proper. and that the cellars, being of no use, be filled up with rubbish, which we submit to your honours, this 18th day of October, 1722: William Dickson.—John Macarell. — John Reyson. — James Stevenson.— John Lord.—Ringen Trotter.—William Aston.' 1722. Prisoners. Windows. Floors. Cellars.

m. 143. Ordered that the committee be continued, and confirm the above report, and the work be done at the city charge as the said committee from time to time shall direct. Order.

[18.] Jeremiah Pepyat, praying that the following report be confirmed : Pepyat

' We, the committee appointed to inspect the petitioners accounts, have examined the same, which in the whole amount to sixty two pounds, four shillings and eight pence, as by the same hereunto annexed may appear ; we are of opinion the petitioner be paid in full of his said account sixty two pounds, eleven pence, sterling : We are of opinion that the number of one hundred and fifty assize of bread are too few, and that for the future two hundred and fifty be printed for the public service ; which we submit to your honours, this 16th day of October, 1722 : — William Dickson. — John Macarell. — Robert Nesbitt. — Thomas Bolton. — Edward Surdeville. — Humphrey French.—John Riussett.—Richard Gunne. —Luke Waldron.' Report. Assize of bread.

Granted : the committee's report be confirmed, and that the treasurer pay the petitioner sixty two pounds, eleven pence, being the sum reported, the same to be Payment.

1722. paid on the Lord Mayor's warrant and allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Roll xix. m. 143.

Ballast Office. [19.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 19th day of October, 1722:

Report. 'In our report to your honours of the last assembly we gave you an account that the work of piling was at Timber. a full stand for want of oak timber to carry it on, and mentioned that fir timber might be bought for two thirds Oak. of what oak would cost, if it could be got, but your Fir. honours were pleased to order that no fir piles should be used, but oak piles; pursuant to which order we have since bought from Roderick Griffith eighty pieces of square oak timber, containing eight tuns and thirty eight feet, at 46s. per tun, amounting to £20 11s. 4d., at 40 feet to the tun; we have also bought of Mathew Shephard 66 pieces of the same, containing 8 tun and 2 feet, at the same price, amounting to £18 10s. 4d., at 40 feet to the tun; likewise we bought of Francis Colebran 17 pieces of the same timber, at same price, and 40 feet to the tun, containing 3 tun 6 feet and a half, amounting to £17 5s. 6d.; we also bought of Mr. Montgomery and White 13 dozen of planks for flooring and lining the frames, amounting to £7 3s., all which timber and planks are paid for; of which timber and planks, and of part of what timber we had in the yard before, we have made Frames. and set down 5 frames more, which extend in length eastward 5 perch and 14 feet, which, with 14 perch and 8 feet the 12 frames, mentioned in our last report, extendeth in length, makes 21 perch and 1 foot that the 17 frames laid down this season extend in length, eastward; they are all well made and stand very upright, and in all likelihood will answer the end which they Polebegg. were designed for, videlicet, sheltering the ships in Polebegg as far as your honours think fit to carry on the said work eastward, which might have been carried on some perches farther this season if we could have got timber

Roll xix. m. 143. to do it with:' To be carried on as the season will permit: 1722.

'The office has been at a considerable expense since last assembly in graving and repairing eleven gabbards and the two floats. Graving. Repairing.

'An account of the timber and an abstract of the cash are hereunto annexed: all which is humbly submitted to your honours:

'Matthew Pearson. — Thomas Wilkinson. — John Porter. — John Reyson. — James Somervell. — William Aldrich. — Stearn Tighe. — John Vareilles. — Thomas Corker. — David Latouche.'

m. 143 d. An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 20th of July, 1722, inclusive, to the 19th of October, 1722, exclusive: Ballast Office.

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
To Ballast Office, given in to the last assembly	73	2	9½	By sundry disbursements on the Office account, from the 20th July, 1722, to the 19th October, 1722, exclusive	701	10	11½
To cash received since, from the 20th July, 1722, inclusive, to the 19th October, 1722, exclusive	829	2	5	Balance	200	14	3
Total	£902	5	2½	Total	902	5	2½
To cash paid formerly into Messrs. Burton and Harrison for the Office Use ...	280	0	0	Balance of cash in the Office ..	£280	14	3
And of the above balance of £200 14s. 3d.	120	0	0	Memorandum:—The Office owes more than the above balance.			
Total in the hands of Messrs. Burton and Harrison ...	£400	0	0				

m. 145. Admissions to franchise. Franchise.

1722. October 23.

m. 145 d. Certain of the commons, setting forth that Mr. Recorder, pursuant to an act of last assembly, hath prepared an address to his majestie, and pray that the same may be put under the city seal as the address of the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, commons and citizens of this city: ordered accordingly, which address is as followeth: Address to George I.

1722. 'To the kings most excellent majesty: Roll xix. m. 143 b.

'The humble address of the Lord Mayór, Sheriffs, commons, and citizens of the city of Dublin, at a general quarterly assembly held at the Tholsell of the said city:

'Most gracious sovereign:

'We, your majestie's most dutiful and loyal subjects, in the most humble manner, beg leave in this great conjuncture to declare to your majesty our utmost detestation of that horrid conspiracy which has been formed and is still carrying on against your most sacred Pretender. person and government in favour of a Popish Pretender. When we reflect on the inestimable happiness we enjoy under your auspicious reign, and consider that the preservation of our civil rights and liberties, and the security Protestant religion. of the Protestant religion, do wholly under God depend on the safety of your majestie's person and the succession in your royal house, it raises in us the highest resentment and indignation against those ungrateful, desperate traitors, who, either through pernicious principles or private discontents and disappointments, would overturn our most excellent constitution in church and state, involve their country in blood and confusion, and in open violation of all obligations, divine and human, subject these nations to the revenge and tyranny of a Popish Pretender, over which your majestie is rightful and lawful sovereign:

'We of this city hold ourselves obliged, both in duty m. 142. and gratitude, vigorously to oppose these enemies of our present most happy establishment, and beg leave in the most solemn manner on this important occasion to renew Declarations. our declarations of an inviolable zeal and affection for your royal person and family, and with the utmost sincerity to assure your majesty that we are determined to hazard our lives and fortunes in defence of your most sacred person and government, and supporting the succession in your royal house against the Pretender and all other your majestie's enemies. As the Divine Providence

Roll xix. m. 142. has hitherto preserved your majestie from all secret conspiracies and open rebellion, and crowned your councils and army with success, we doubt not but by the blessing of Almighty God upon your majestie's princely care and wisdom, the vigilance of your faithful ministry, and upon the ready assistance of your loyal subjects, that these traiterous designs against your majestie will be rendered vain and ineffectual, and the malicious efforts and wicked machinations of your enemies will be turned to their own confusion. 1722-3.

'That your majestie's wise and just administration may ever meet with suitable returns of duty and loyalty from all your people, that you may triumph over all your enemies at home and abroad, and, after a long and glorious reign, that you may transmit the government of these kingdoms to a lasting succession of princes in your own royal house, are the constant prayers of us, your majestie's most dutiful, loyal and faithful subjects.

'In testimony whereof we have caused the common seal of the said city to be hereto affixed, this 19th day of October, anno Domini, 1722.

m. 147. 1722-3. January 18.—Fourth Friday after 25 December, 1722.

[1.] Charles Mathew, praying to make the following report an act of assembly: 'We, the committee appointed for regulating the cleansing of the streets of this city, to which the contents of the within petition and case of Charles Mathew were referred, have taken the same into our consideration, and are of opinion he has no right to make any demand on the city for damage done to his stables occasioned by the city wall falling thereon: we think it reasonable he would be paid twenty pounds for the carriage of gravel at sundry times to the Lord Mayor's garden, as also five pounds for cars of his which wrought for the city, both which sums, amounting to twenty five pounds, sterling, we Mathew. Cleansing streets. Report. Lord Mayor's garden.

1722-3. conceive he ought to be paid by the city; we observe that the petitioner makes a demand of one hundred pounds, alleging he was so much a loser the first year he was concerned for the city; his right to any such demand on the city we did not take on us to determine, but refer the same, with our report, to your honours, this 16th day of January, 1722:—William Dickson, Thomas Curtis.—John Stoyte.—Robert Nesbitt.—John Reyson.—John Porter.—Humphry French.—John Lord:' Roll xix. m. 147.

Ordered that the treasurer do pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the sum of twenty five pounds, sterling, the same being in full of all demands he has on the city to this day, and to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Knowles' Grant. [2.] Elizabeth Knowles, praying the same allowance that her husband had in his lifetime of forty shillings per quarter, the same to be allowed him on his accounts, to commence from Christmas last.

Byrn, executioner. [3.] James Byrn, executioner, praying the city's favour: ordered that the petitioner's salary be augmented to four pounds per annum, to commence from Christmas last.

[4.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the Assembly. assembly till nine o'clock: granted.

[5.] Certain of the commons, praying to continue the City pipe water. committee for the city pipe water, and to confirm the following report, videlicet:

Committee. Report. 'Pursuant to the former orders directed us, we have made a considerable progress in settling the arrears of pipe water revenue due the 1st of November, 1721, and that Mr. Darling hath received in his district £663 8s. 4d., of which paid alderman Page £600.'

Receipts. 'Mr. Ormsby hath received in his district [*blank*], of which paid to ditto [*blank*]. Mr. Sisson hath received in his district £369 11s. 8d., of which paid to same £320.

'We find that several who have been in large arrears, and to screen themselves for the payment thereof, have

Roll xix. m. 147. taken out new licenses from alderman Page, and to remedy that great abuse, so prejudicial to that revenue, we conceive it necessary that the said alderman Page do not for the future sign any license for any pipe whatsoever without a certificate from one of the above collectors for the several districts, noting arrears are due by the houses (giving the street or lane) that require such licenses, and that they have noted such licenses so desired in their books for that purpose, which will not only remedy the above abuse, but also the above collector will be capable to make a charge upon all houses that have water by virtue of such licenses. 1722-3. Page. m. 147 b. Licenses.

'We, finding but two servants or attendants upon the whole pipes of the city, thought it immediately necessary to have a third added, that so each collector may have one peculiar to their particular district. Attendants. Pipes.

'As soon as the arrears of any of the above districts are settled, we will cause books to be made out as a charge for the year of pipe water rent due the first of November last, in order for the same to be collected as soon as possible, and will also close the several books of the said collectors for the said arrears as soon as we possibly can:—William Dickson.—Thomas Pleasant.—Mathew Pearson.—Edward Surdeville.—John Reyson.—Thomas Curtis.—John Porter.—John Macarell.—Robert Nesbitt. — Nathaniel Kane. — Philip Pearson. — Peter Hennis.—Thomas Ellis. — Michael Clinton;' Arrears.

Ordered to continue committee and confirm report.

[6.] Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, sir John Rogerson, aldermen Stoyte, Bolton, Barkey, Quayle, Curtis, Surdeville, Reyson, Kane, and eighteen of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any nine of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs to be always two, are appointed auditors of the city accounts for last year. Auditors.

[The eighteen of the commons]: William Aldrich, Peter Verdoen, James Somervell, Charles Hendrick, William Empson, David King, James Stevenson, Daniel Commons.

1722-3. Falkiner, John Rieussett, John Vareilles, Ralph Blundell, William Aston, Richard Norton, Richard Gunn, John Porter, Paul Espinasse, Anthony Allen, Thomas Smith. Roll xix. m. 147 *b*.

Master of city works. [7.] Nathaniel Pearson and Joseph Nuttall, late Sheriffs, are appointed masters of the city works for the ensuing year.

Ballast Office. [8.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 18th of January, 1722-3:

Report. 'In our report of the last assembly we gave your honours an account of seventeen frames, which we set down last season, which frames have weathered all storms that have happened since, and do stand very upright and well, not having lost one stick. There being no timber left in the Ballast Office yard last season, except forty-two small pieces, we could not proceed in carrying on the framing work any farther and before we could get any more timber to work on, the weather came on so stormy and bad that we were forced to give over all work for this season. But in order to carry on the said framing work when the season and weather will permit, we have since bought from Mr. Thomas Doran 32 pieces

Timber. of square oak timber, containing 3 tun, 8½ feet at 40 feet to the tun, and 50s. per tun, amounting to £8 7½d., which is paid for; we have also bought from Mr. Owen Ellis 18 pieces of round oak timber, at 50 feet to the tun, and 40s. per tun, containing one tun, twenty-three and a-half m. 146. feet, amounting to £2 19s. sterling, which is also paid for. We have also bought from Mr. Abraham Clark, which he sent by Mr. Roberts, 180 pieces of square oak timber, containing 16 tun 12½ feet, at 40 feet to the tun, and 46s. per tun, amounting to £37s. 10s., which is likewise paid for: we have also bought from the said Clark, which he delivered himself, 497 pieces of square oak timber, containing 53 tun, 14½ feet, at 40 feet to the tun and 46s. per tun, amounting to £122 14s. 10d., which is also paid for; all which timber we have now in the Ballast Office

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yard, ready to carry on the said framing work with as soon as the season will permit, if your honours think fit to have the said work carried on:' ordered to proceed as the season will permit: allowed. 1722-3 Frames.

'The great storms that have happened this season have occasioned a great slough at the east end of the piles which we last set down, and will require a great deal of Clantarfe shingle to fill it up, so as to make it fit to set down the frames on that are to be made if your honours think fit to carry the said framing work farther eastward:' ordered to proceed: allowed. Storms. Clontarf.

'We some time since represented to your honours that a very great injury was done to the harbour, and to the piling work of the Ballast Office, by people with carts and cars continually digging and carrying away the said banks of the South Strand out of Cock lake, and from about the piles and other parts of the said Strand, upon which your honours gave orders to take them up, and to have them prosecuted for so doing, which was so effectually done that some of the chief of the sand carriers applied to the Office, and some of them took sand from the Office; and said that if they could have it at reasonable rates, they would rather take it from the Office than be at the charge and trouble of going so far for it, and of spoiling their horses in drawing it to town: South Strand. Sand.

'Were this so settled with the Office that all sand should be taken from them, and no more taken for it than the bare wages of the men, and for the wear and tear of the gabbards; the great advantage that would accrue to the harbour, to the work of the Ballast Office, and consequently to the public, would be that the South Strand would yearly grow higher and higher, as it has done for some years past, and the channel (by having all the sand used in the city taken out of it) will become much deeper, so that, in time, the largest ships may lie as safe in that deep channel, under the shelter of the

1722-3. Ships. said high bank, as the middling ships now lie between Ringsend and the Custom House Quay: Roll xix. m. 146.

Lord Fitz-williams. 'But all this great and good design is like to be frustrated and hindered by my lord Fitzwilliams, if not timely prevented, who sent for Mr. Smith, one of the office workmen, and ordered him to intermeddle no farther in hindering any persons from taking sand off

Strand. the said Strand, for that the said Strand was his, and he would maintain his right to it: since which time many hundred carts and car loads of sand have been carried, and are daily carrying away, off the said Strand and out of Cock lake, and laying up in heaps in other places:' Referred to the committee of directors of the Ballast Office, who are to consult Mr. Recorder on the subject matter, and that some of the said committee wait on the lord Fitzwilliams, in order, if they can, to settle this dispute, and that Mr. Peppard attend them: allowed.

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours:

'Mathew Pearson.—John Porter.—John Reyson.—Thomas Corker.—John Vareilles.—John Taylor.—William Aldrich.'

An abstract of the Ballast Office account, from the 19th day of October, 1722, inclusive, to the 18th of January, 1722[-3], exclusive: m. 146 b.

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
Balance of accounts to the last assembly	200	14	3	By sundry disbursements on the Office account, from the 19th of October, inclusive, to the 18th January, 1722[-3], exclusive	594	11	1
To cash received of ships, etc., from the 10th of October, inclusive, to the 18th of January, 1722[-3], exclusive	481	6	4	Balance ...	87	9	6
	682	0	7		£682	0	7
Cash for the Office use in alderman Burton's	300	0	0				
In the Office	87	9	6				
	£387	9	6				

Note.—The Office owes more than the above balance in the Office will answer.

Franchise. Admissions to franchise. m. 148.

Roll xix. m. 151.

1723. April 26.—Second Friday after Easter.[1] 1723.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth there have of late been carried on several public works for the honour and advantage of this city, wherein captain Thomas Burgh has been very serviceable with his advice and attendance, and in regard there may be further occasion for his advice to complete the said works, therefore prayed the said captain Burgh might have thanks returned him by the city, as also a present for his past services: Captain Thomas Burgh.

Ordered that a present of plate, not exceeding in value fifty pounds, be given to captain Burgh, and that alderman Bolton, alderman Kane and four of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any three of them, whereof an alderman to be one, do wait on the said captain Burgh and return him the thanks of the city for his services, and know from him what piece of plate he will have made, and that the plate be made and presented him accordingly. Plate. Presentation.

[2.] James Ramsay, city surveyor, setting forth that the committee appointed on his petition had made a report of the 8th of January last, which is as followeth: Ramsay, City Surveyor.

'We, the committee, have examined this petition and the services the petitioner hath done for the city, and are of opinion he be paid twenty eight pounds sterling, videlicet, twenty three pounds by the city and five pounds by the Ballast Office, for services done [stated] in his account for the said Office, which said sum of twenty eight pounds is in full for the petitioner's service and his servants' attendance to this time. An account of the petitioner's services is hereto annexed, which, with this our report, we submit to your honours, this 8th of January, 1722[-3]: Committee. Report.

'And the said James Ramsay, having now prayed to confirm the said report, and that the same might be made an act of this assembly: ordered that the treasurer,

[1] Easter day, 14 April, 1723.

1723. Grant. on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner twenty three pounds as reported, and that the Ballast Office pay him five pounds as likewise reported, which several sums, amounting to twenty eight pounds, are in full for the petitioner's service to the date of the said report. Roll xix. m. 151.

[3.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee appointed to view the gravel walks in the Lord Mayor's garden in Dawson street which were out of order, and some of the gates which were broken, had made their report as followeth:

Lord Mayor's garden, Dawson street.

Committee. Report. 'We, the committee to whom the contents of the within petition are referred, are of opinion that the grates, rails and peers are very much out of order, and that a new gate going into the stable yard be made forthwith, and that Mr. Nelson do immediately make and mend the same, that the windows are very much out of repair and that they be mended and painted, which we submit to your honours, this 22nd of March, 1723: And praying to confirm the said report:' ordered the same be done according to the said report.

[4.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee appointed to inspect into the behaviour of the city music had made their report as followeth:

City music. Report. 'We, the committee appointed to examine the contents of the within petition, have taken the same into our consideration, and are of opinion that Francis Dowdall, William Clegg and William Taylor, now of the city music, be displaced from the said service for the future, and that George Wade, Hugh Reed and Jeremiah Carty do succeed the said Dowdall, Clegg and Taylor in the said employ of city music, during the city's pleasure; that Mr. Lewis Layfield be appointed overseer of the said music by the name of major hautboy, and the said music for the future to wear blue coats and laced hats to be provided by them severally at their own expense. We have likewise considered of a method for better regulating the city music for the time to come, which,

Dowdall. Clegg. Taylor. Layfield. Major Hautboy. Coats. Hats.

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with this report, is submitted to your honours, this 9th of April, 1723; and praying to confirm the said report:' ordered that the committee's report be and is hereby confirmed and made an act of this assembly, and that the rules within mentioned be observed by the city music for the future. 1723.

[5.] Thomas Sargent, praying to be admitted city constable, in the place of his father, George Sargent, lately deceased: granted during the city's pleasure, with the usual salary and perquisits, and that Hugh Leech be his assistant at his own proper charge till he be twenty-one years of age, or during city's pleasure. Sargent, City constable. Leech.

[6.] John Montgomery, officer of commons, praying a consideration for his past services in summoning committees: ordered that the petitioner be paid by the treasurer ten pounds for his extraordinary services, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the same to be allowed on account. Montgomery, officer of commons.

[7.] Thomas Smith, shipwright, setting forth that by his constant attendance on the Ballast Office work he was a great sufferer, not being able to attend business elsewhere, and therefore prayed relief: ordered that the petitioner be paid by the Ballast Office ten pounds for his services done to the said office. Smith, shipwright. Ballast Office.

[8] Dorothy Hodgkinson, widow of an ancient freeman, and common council man, being reduced, praying an annual allowance: ordered that the petitioner be paid six pounds per annum by quarterly payments during the city's pleasure, to commence from Easter last. Hodgkinson. Allowance.

[9.] Elizabeth Smith, praying to be admitted one of the city poor widows: ordered that the petitioner be admitted one of the poor widows of the city, during pleasure. Smith. Poor widows.

[10.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: granted. Assembly.

[11.] Deborah Powell, widow, setting forth that her husband, William Powell, was an ancient freeman and common council man in this city, and being reduced Deborah Powell.

1723. Allowance. prays an annual allowance: ordered that the petitioner be paid four pounds per annum during the city's pleasure by quarterly payments, to commence from Easter last. Roll xix. m. 151 *b*.

[12.] 'The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office. Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 26th of April, 1723:

Report. 'Pursuant to your honours' directions to us of the last assembly, some of the committee and Mr. Jacob Peppard, Viscount Fitz-williams of Merryon. by advice of Mr. Recorder, waited on the lord viscount Fitzwilliams of Merryon, on account of the complaint made against him to your honours the said last assembly by the committee, relating to the taking away of the South Strand. sand and soil of the South Strand, his lordship received Deed. us very courteously and civilly, and shewed us his deed City seal. under the city seal for his and his family's pretensions on the said Strand for about one hundred and sixty Recorder. years past, upon which we gave the Recorder an account of what past at that time, and then the Recorder and the said lord Fitzwilliams had a meeting afterwards, when that affair was so settled between them, that no more Sand. sand has been taken off the said Strand, since that time, nor is there any more sand to be taken off it for the future:

'We have bought since the last assembly from Mr. Montgomery fifteen pieces of timber and three hundred pieces of plank, and from the committee of the North Timber. Strand thirty-two pieces of timber, in all amounting to twenty-six pounds, sixteen shillings and nine pence Frames. which are paid for. We are preparing some frames to be set down at the east end of the frames which we last gave an account of, pursuant to your honours' directions, but the weather has been so windy, that the floats durst not Stones. venture down with loads of stones, nor could the gabbards be spared to fill up the slough in order to set any frames down till now, but they are now working on the said slough, and have begun to carry down frames:' ordered to proceed: allowed. m. 150

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'It is proper that a committee be appointed for the said Office, for at the naming of the last committee the late Lord Mayor and Sheriffs were three of them, and upon their being sworn into the said offices, others were named in their stead, one of whom never came to the Office since, and some others of the said committee came very seldom, so that the committee has been often summoned and a quorum has not attended, to the great hindrance of the office business, for although there be fifteen named on the said committee one half of them seldom or never attended, and the enlarging of the quorum of the committee from four to five instead of lessening it from four to three could never be done for the good of the Ballast Office:' ordered that Alderman Curtis be put in the place of Alderman Forbes, and that the commons name commissioners in the room of those commissioners which have not attended if any such they find: allowed.

1723. Committee. Number. Attendance. Commissioners.

An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 18th of January, 1722[-3], inclusive, to the 26th of April, 1723, exclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
To balance given in to the last assembly	87	9	7½	By sundry disbursements on the Office account, from the 18th January, 1722[-3], inclusive, to the 26th of April, 1723, exclusive	559	18	2
To cash received since to the 26th of April, 1723, exclusive	624	18	4½	Balance in the Office ...	159	8	10
	712	8	0	Total	£712	8	0
To alderman Barton for the office use	300	0	0				
Balance in the Office ..	152	9	10				
	452	9	10				
The Office owes more than the above balance in the Office will answer.							

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Admissions to franchise.

Franchise.

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1723. April 30.

Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee appointed to view, survey and value part of the

Committee.

1723. Blind Quay. Blind Quay belonging to the city, had made the following report: Roll xix. m. 150 *b*.

Report. 'We, the committee appointed to view, survey and value the within premises, have taken the same into our consideration and have valued each particular tenement with the materials now standing thereon, the fronts of the same to be to the river and have taken notice of the

Tenants. several tenants now in possession and when the leases of

Leases. the said premises will severally determine as also the

Values. yearly value the same may be set up at, with the particular dimensions of each holding:

Thompson. 'And first we observe that Mr. Thompson's holding is 37 feet to the Blind Quay, 41 feet deep, 43 feet front to the river, to be set up at 13s. per foot which amounts to the yearly rent of £27 19s., the lease whereof will determine in Michaelmas, 1724:

Chaigneau. 'That Mr. Chaigneau's holding is 37 feet front to the Blind Quay, 41 feet deep, 40 feet front to the river, to be set up at 13s. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £26, the lease whereof will determine in Michaelmas, 1724:

Page. Jacob. 'That Alderman Page's and Mr. Jacob's holdings, on the back of Casey's house, and 27 feet front to the river and 27 feet deep, to be set up at 10s. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £13 10s., adjoining the house, 8½ feet fronting the Blind Quay, 40 feet deep to the river, to be set up at 10s. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £4 5s., but there being some dispute in these two last lots we think the same should not be set up to cant at present:

Coates. 'That Mr. Coates' holding is 31 feet front to the Blind Quay, 43 feet deep, 30½ front to the river, to be set up at 13s. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £10 16s. 6d., the lease whereof determined Michaelmas, 1722:

Hutchinson. 'That Mr. Hutchinson's holding is 59½ foot front to the Blind Quay, 43 feet deep, 52 feet fronting the river, to

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be set up at 15s. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £39, the lease whereof determined Michaelmas, 1722: that Mr. Andrews' holding is 27 feet front to the Blind Quay, 43 feet deep, 39 feet front to the river, to be set up at 10s. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £19 10s., the lease whereof determined Michaelmas, 1722: 1723. Andrews.

'That one of Mr. Banfield's holdings is 64½ feet front to the Blind Quay, 52 feet deep, 68 feet front to the river, to be set up at 15s. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £57, the lease whereof determined Michaelmas, 1722: Banfield.

'That Mr. Banfield's other holding is 36 feet, front to the river only 30 feet deep, to be set up at 8s. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £14 8s.:

'And in regard your honours have recommended to us to consider how the premises shall be disposed of, we think the following method will be most proper, videlicet:

'That a committee be appointed by the next assembly to dispose of the said holdings severally by public cant in the Tholsel court, as the same are laid out in the map hereto annexed, to be set up at the annual rent before mentioned, and whoever shall be the fairest bidder on such cant, paying down ten pounds in part and so much more on perfection of a fee-farm lease as will complete a third of the purchase money to be computed at twenty years' purchase that such person shall be deemed the fair purchaser of such holding so canted for: Committee. Tholsel. Sale.

'And we farther think it convenient that such purchaser shall be at liberty, if he thinks fit to purchase off, another third of the purchase money on perfection of the leases to be computed likewise at twenty years' purchase; and that the said committee order advertisements to be printed and posted on the pillars of the Tholsel and dispersed through the city, giving due notice of such cant, the time and place; the said Quay facing the river to be left 25 feet wide as laid out in the said map, and for as much as several debates have arisen by reason of the Purchasers. Money. Advertisements. Pillars of Tholsel. Map.

1723. city tenants applying for renewals of leases, we are of opinion that any lessees of the city, or those deriving under them who have seven years and upwards of their Lease. leases unexpired, may apply to the city for renewals as usual, and that all city leases now expired, or under seven years of expiration, are to be set up at public cant as aforesaid, which we submit to your honours this 14th of May, 1723.' Roll xix. m. 149

And the said commons praying that the said report might be made an act of assembly: It was ordered that the former committee be continued to proceed on the sale of the Blind Quay by cant, as reported, and that they order advertisements to be printed and posted, giving public notice that they will proceed on the said cant in the Tholsel court on Friday, the 28th of June next, at ten o'clock in the morning: seven of the said committee to be a quorum, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs to be always two; that advertisements be forth- Town Clerk. with drawn by the Town Clerk to be laid before the committee for their approbation in order to be immediately after printed and posted, and that the said committee have power to proceed on the said cant, and also to adjourn from time to time as they shall think proper; that the money arising on such sale be paid to alderman John Page, for the city use, whose receipt shall be sufficient for the same, and that fee farm leases be drawn as Mr. Recorder shall advise, the same to be perfected with all convenient speed.

1723. June 14.

Bentley City Marshal John Forrest, merchant, setting forth that by the death of Joseph Bentley, late city Marshal, the said employment is become vacant, and having sufficient security to indemnify the city in the said employ is desirous to succeed the said Bentley in the aforesaid employ: granted during the city's pleasure with all the fees and perquisites thereunto belonging, the

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1723. King. Sureties. Rent. Walton. Payment.

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Certain of the commons, setting forth that Mr. David Latouche in Christmas assembly 1718, by proposal under his hand, offered to purchase the piece of ground or strand belonging to the city between sir John Rogersons Quay, and the late Mr. Mercer's ground, on the back of Lazers hill at £5,000 fine, five pounds per annum rent and capons yearly to the Lord Mayor, which proposal being agreed to by the city but proper deeds for the premises, by reason of some dispute between the city and captain Brooks, relating thereto, were never perfected, and the said David Latouche, having by an instrument under his hand made it his request that the same agreement be made void he being willing to release and quit his claim to the premises and give up all the interest he has therein to the city; and in regard it might prove an inconvenience to the city should the premises remain undisposed of any longer, this being a proper season for improving the same, and there-

David Latouche. Strand. Rogerson. Mercer. Lazers Hill. Brooks.

1723. fore prayed that same method be fixed on in order to dispose of the said city ground or strand as should tend most to the advantage of the city: it is thereupon Release. ordered that Mr. David Latouche be and is hereby released from the agreement or proposal made in Christmas assembly 1718, for the purchase of the said premises, it being his own request, and that the right honourable the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, treasurer, masters of city works, Aldermen Barkey, Forbes, Porter, Reyson, Kane and ten of the commons to be named by the commons, or any five of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Committee. Sheriffs to be always two, are appointed a committee to resolve on some effectual method for disposing of the said premises and report the same to the next assembly. Roll xix. m. 149 b.

1723. July 19.—Fourth Friday after 24 June.

[1.] Robert Fortune, clerk to the right honourable William Dickson, esquire, Lord Mayor, setting forth that Mayoralty. the burthen of the office of Lord Mayor is greater than heretofore and attended with great expense, and therefore prayed an augmentation for his lordship's use: Augmentation. ordered that the petitioner be paid, for the use of the Lord Mayor, the sum of four hundred pounds by the treasurer of the city, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the same to be allowed on account.

Peppard. Town Clerk. [2.] Jacob Peppard, esquire, Town Clerk, setting forth that John Macarell and Robert Nesbitt, esquires, Sheriffs, have been at great expense in the said office, and their time wholly taken up in the execution thereof, and prayed an augmentation for their use: ordered that the Grant. petitioner be paid, for the use of the Sheriffs, the sum of two hundred pounds, one hundred to each, by the treasurer of the city, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the same to be allowed on account. m. 155.

Allen. [3.] George Allen, setting forth that the committee appointed to examine his petition in relation to some

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damage he sustained in his ground near the City Bason had made their report, which is as followeth : 1723. City Bason.

'We, the committee appointed to examine the contents of the within petition, have considered the same, and are of opinion that the petitioner be paid sixty pounds by the city for the damage done him in his ground, the water to run through the same course it now doth for the future, the city building a sufficient wall along the said course, and to maintain the same so that the petitioner's ground be not damaged by means of the said water course, as shall be thought proper, and the petitioner to be at liberty to build on the said wall ; that no dirt or filth be thrown into the said water course, nor houses of easement be made thereon, which we submit to your honours this 17th of May, 1723 :' Report.

And the said George Allen praying to confirm the said report, and make the same an act of this assembly, and that he might have a pipe of an inch bore from the main pipe into his ground without paying any acknowledgment for the same : whereupon it is ordered as followeth : Granted : the committee's report confirmed, and that the petitioner have a common pipe of three quarters of an inch diameter, according to the prayer of the above petition for his own private use Order.

[4.] Alderman Anthony Barkey, setting forth that on the 28th of June last, he bought from the city by public cant, a concern on the Blind Quay, known by the name of Mrs. Hutchinson's holding, which contains in front to the Blind Quay, fifty-nine feet and a-half, in depth from front to rear forty-three feet, and fronting the river fifty-two feet, for which he was to pay the annual rent of forty pounds fifteen shillings, that he was obliged to purchase off one-third at twenty year's purchase, and another third at the same rate, if he thought fit, that the purchase of the said rent is eight hundred pounds, reserving to the city fifteen shillings per annum, and therefore prayed that the city would accept of the said Anthony Barkey. Hutchinson. Blind Quay. Purchase.

1723. eight hundred pounds in lieu of the said rent, reserving to the city fifteen shillings per annum for the premises: granted: allowed. Roll xix. m. 155.

Smyth. Isold's Tower. Kennedy's lane. [5.] John Smyth, esquire, of Kennedy's lane, setting forth that the city formerly granted him a lease of Isold's Tower, and a small parcel of ground at the lower end of Kennedy's lane for lives renewable for ever; that his son, Edward Smyth, was one of the lives mentioned in the said lease who is lately dead, and therefore prayed that the life of William Smyth, another of his sons, should be added to the said lease instead of the said Edward Smyth deceased: granted: allowed:

Adjutants. Regiments of city militia. [6.] Rowland Parker, Gilbert Kelly, Richard West and Mathew Bowen, adjutants to the regiments of militia, horse and foot, in this city, praying a consideration for their services: ordered that the petitioners be paid by the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, twenty pounds, sterling, videlicet, five pounds to each, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts, m. 155 *b*.

Hawkins. Newgate. Robber. Payment. [7.] John Hawkins, keeper of Newgate, praying a consideration for killing Daniel Carroll, a noted robber: ordered that the petitioner be paid by the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, ten pounds, sterling, to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Mathew Pearson. Philpott. Claim. [8.] Mathew Pearson, alderman, setting forth that he bought by public cant from the city, a concern on the back of the Blind Quay, and provided money to purchase of two thirds of the rent, that afterwards he had settled with the tenants on the premises, Mr. William Philpott claims the said concern, and declares that no man shall have the possession or enjoyment thereof, during his lease, of which he says there are many years to come and unexpired, and the petitioner therefore prayed the city would make good the said bargain to him or secure him an equivalent for the same: ordered that the memorialist be quieted in possession of the above premises at the city charge, as Mr. Recorder shall advise; allowed.

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[9.] Robert Goodwin, praying to be admitted officer at mace and commons, in the place and stead of John Montgomery, deceased: granted during the city's pleasure, the petitioner giving sufficient security for the true performance of the said several employs and with the usual salary: allowed. 1723. Goodwin.

[10.] Ephraim Dawson, esquire, setting forth that the committee appointed about the City Crane in Wine tavern street had made their report of the 27th of May, 1723, as followeth: Dawson. City Crane, Winetavern street.

'We, the committee appointed to consider the within petition have examined the contents thereof, and are of opinion that the petitioner have a lease of the Old Crane for the term of sixty one years, to commence from Michaelmas last; at fifteen pounds per annum rent and capons to the Lord Mayor yearly, or five shillings in lieu thereof, the petitioner paying all arrears due thereout and reasonable costs, and likewise indemnifing the city from the lease thereof made to John Sharp, and that no person to be concerned as clerk or otherwise in the said Crane do for the future buy, sell or in any way deal in any goods that shall come to the said weigh-house; which we submit to your honours, this 27th of May, 1723: Report. Lease. Rent. Sharp. Restrictions.

'And praying the said report might be made an act of assembly: granted: the committee's report confirmed and that a clause be inserted in the lease that if any person concerned in the said office shall buy or sell any goods brought thither to be weighed, that so often the lessee to pay to the city the sum of thirty pounds; leases to be drawn with such other clauses as Mr. Recorder shall advise: allowed.

[11.] Thomas Gonne, praying consideration for his past services: ordered that the treasurer pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, twenty three pounds, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Thomas Gonne. Grant.

[12.] Mary Bentley, widow of Joseph Bentley, late city marshal, setting forth that her said husband died in Bentley.

1723. the said employ in very poor circumstances, and left her a numerous family of helpless children; that hers and her said husbands wearing apparel and the furniture of the house were delivered up to Alderman Page for rent due to the city out of the Marshalsea, and therefore prayed an order for giving the said goods towards her relief and helpless children, they being of little value: Grant. granted that the clothes and goods be restored to the petitioner and the arrear of rent remitted: allowed. Roll xix. m. 155 *b*.

City attornies. [13, 14, 15.] John Martin, William Crookshank, and Daniel Sullivan, gentlemen, praying to be admitted city attornies: granted during city's pleasure: allowed. m. 154.

Assembly. [16.] Certain of the commons praying to enlarge the assembly til nine o'clock: granted: allowed.

Affleck. [17.] John Affleck, setting forth that he is an ancient freeman of this city and much reduced, having a small helpless family to support, and prays an annual allowance: Grant. ordered that the petitioner be paid eight pounds per annum by quarterly payments during the city's pleasure, to commence from midsummer last, and that he be paid twenty shillings at present: allowed.

Crelling. [18.] Henry Crelling, chandler, setting forth that he is an ancient freeman and citizen and served master of the Corporation of chandlers. corporation, but by misfortunes in his old age is reduced to great poverty, and prays an annual support: ordered that the petitioner be paid eight pounds per annum by Grant. quarterly payments during the city's pleasure, to commence from midsummer last, and that he be paid by the treasurer twenty shillings at present: allowed.

Bradford. [19.] Nathaniel Bradford, setting forth that he is an ancient freeman and inhabitant of this city, served Guild of merchants. several years one of the members of the Guild, but being reduced to poverty in his old age prays to be relieved by the city: ordered that the petitioner be paid eight Grant. pounds per annum by quarterly payments, during the city's pleasure, to commence from midsummer last, and that he be paid twenty shillings at present: allowed.

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1723. Murry Corporation of curriers.

[20.] James Murry, currier, setting forth that he served two years master of the corporation of curriers, lived in great repute, but being reduced by misfortunes is become an object of charity, and therefore prays some yearly support: ordered that the petitioner be paid four pounds per annum by quarterly payments during the city's pleasure, to commence from midsummer last: allowed. Grant.

[21.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee appointed for disposing of the city ground or Strand between sir John Rogerson's Quay and the late Mr. Mercer's ground had made the following report, videlicet: Committee. Strand.

'We, the committee appointed to resolve on some effectual method for disposing of the piece of ground or Strand belonging to the city, between sir John Rogerson's Quay and the late Mr. Mercer's ground on the back of Lazer's Hill, have taken the same into our consideration; we have viewed the premises and ordered a new map to be made thereof, which particularly describes the city ground from captain Brooks' according to a late map thereof made, and as the same was settled between the city and him by the new map hereto annexed; we have laid out two streets to be 34 feet wide each, and another street from east to west across the said ground of 35 feet wide, by which the several lots fronting the river, containing in depth 230 feet and in breadth 20 feet, are made regular; we are of opinion that the said several lots being in number 51, to extend from front to rear of said ground, be set up to cant in manner following, at the rents and under the restrictions hereafter named: Report. Rogerson. Mercer. Lazers Hill. Brook. Map. Streets.

'That the lots nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, containing 105 feet in front, be set up as one lot at seven shillings per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £36 15s.: Lots. Rents.

'That the lots nos. 6, 7, containing 42 feet in front, be set up at 5s. 6d. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £11 11s.:

1723. City ground. Prices. Rents.

'That the lots nos. 8, 9, containing 42 feet in front, be set up at 5s. 6d. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £11 11s.: Roll xix. m. 154.

'That the lots nos. 10, 11, containing 42 feet in front, be set up at 5s. 6d. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £11 11s.:

'That the lots nos. 12, 13, containing 42 feet in front, be set up at 5s. 6d. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £11 11s.:

'That the lots nos. 14, 15, 16, 17, containing 84 feet in front, be set up at 6s. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £25 4s.:

'That the lots nos. 18, 19, 20, 21, containing 84 feet in front, be set up at 5s. 6d. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £23 2s.:

'That the lots nos. 22, 23, containing 42 feet in front, be set up at 5s. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £10 10s.:

'That the lots nos. 24, 25, containing 42 feet in front, be set up at 5s. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £10 10s.:

'That the lots nos. 26, 27, containing 42 feet in front, be set up at 5s. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £10 10s.:

'That the lots nos. 28, 29, containing 42 feet in front, be set up at 5s. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £10 10s.:

'That the lots nos. 30, 31, containing 42 feet in front, be set up at 5s. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £10 10s.:

'That the lots nos. 32, 33, 34, containing 63 feet in front, be set up at 5s. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £15 15s.: m. 154 b.

'That the lots nos. 35, 36, 37, containing 63 feet in front, be set up at 4s. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £12 12s.:

'That the lots nos. 38, 39, containing 42 feet in front,

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be set up at 3s. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £6 6s.: City ground.

'That the lots nos. 40, 41, containing 42 feet in front, be set up at 3s. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £6 6s.: Prices. Rents.

'That the lots nos. 42, 43, containing 42 feet in front be set up at 3s. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £6 6s.:

'That the lots nos. 44, 45, containing 42 feet, be set up at 3s. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £6 6s.:

'That the lots nos. 46, 47, containing 42 feet in front, be set up at 3s. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £6 6s.:

'That the lots nos. 48, 49, containing in front 42 feet be set up at 3s. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £6 6s.:

'That the lots nos. 50, 51, containing in front 42 feet be set up at 3s. per foot, amounting to the yearly rent of £6 6s.:

'That the said lots so to be disposed of are twenty-one in number to be set up at cant at the annual rent before mentioned on Friday, the 16th of August next, by a committee in the Tholsel court to be appointed for that purpose, the purchasers to have the whole depth of the city ground to the rear adjoining Captain Brooks' holding, as appears by the said map, and whosoever shall be the fairest bidder on such cant he shall be deemed the purchaser thereof, paying down five pounds for every twenty-one feet in front, he shall purchase, and obliging himself to purchase off two-thirds of the rent, to be computed at twenty years' purchase, videlicet, the money paid on the cant to be made up: one third to be paid on perfection of the leases which is to be within two months after the cant, and to give a bond to pay one third more at Michaelmas 1725, at which Michaelmas 1725, the remaining third, being the reserve rent to the city is to commence, we also think it proper that the several streets in Sale. Rents. Tholsel court. Conditions. Streets.

1723. Map. the premises, as laid out in the annexed map, be reserved and that advertisements be printed and posted, giving due notice of the said cant, the time and place, and that four copies of the said map be drawn by the City Surveyor in order to be likewise posted: which we submit this 18th of July, 1723: Roll xix. m. 154 d.

'And the said commons praying the said report might be confirmed and made an act of assembly:' Ordered that Committee. the former committee be continued to proceed, on the sale of the within premises by cant, as reported, and that every purchaser shall purchase off one third, according to the report, and one other third, if he shall think fit at twenty years purchase before Michaelmas, 1725, or the city to be at liberty to dispose thereof: that the said committee order advertisements to be printed and posted, giving public notice that they will proceed Sale. on the said cant in the Tholsel Court, on Friday, the Hour. 16th of August, next, at ten o'clock in the morning, seven of the said committee to be a quorum, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs to be always two, that advertisements be forthwith drawn by the Town Clerk, to be laid before the committee for their approbation, in order to be immediately after printed and posted, and that the said committee have power to proceed on the said cant, and also to adjourn from time to time as they shall think proper; that the money arising on such sale be paid to Alderman John Page for the city use, whose receipt shall be sufficient for the the same, and that fee-farm leases be drawn as Mr. Recorder shall advise, the same to be perfected with all convenient speed: allowed.

Ballast Office. [22.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly the 10th July, 1723:

Report. 'Pursuant to your honour's directions to us of the last assembly, we have since bought from Timothy Leary Timber. 123 planks, containing 1482 feet, at two pence per foot,

Roll xix. m. 154 b. amounting to £12 7s., which are paid for; we have also 1723. bought from Messieurs Montgomery and White 77 pieces of timber, containing 13 tun and 21 feet, at 50s. per tun, and 40 feet to the tun, amounting to £33 6s. 3d., which are paid for. We have also bought from Mr. Vareilles 249 pieces of timber, containing 37 tun, and 17¾ feet, and at 50s. per tun, and 40 feet to the tun, amounting to £93 12s. 2d., which are paid for; we have also bought from Mr. Thomas Doran 146 pieces of timber, containing ten tun and eight feet at 50s. per tun, and forty feet to the tun, amounting to £25 10s., which is paid, we also bought from Messrs. Montgomery and White ten pieces of timber, amounting to £5 7s., which are paid for.

'We have also bought from Mr. Abraham Clarke 58 pieces of timber, containing seven tun one foot and a half at 46s. per tun and 40 feet to the tun, amounting to £16 3s. 8d., which are paid for.

'We have also bought more from Mr. Abraham Clarke 239 pieces of timber, containing 24 tun and 28 feet and three quarters at 46s. per tun, and forty feet to the tun, amounting to £56 16s. 10d., of which sum we have paid for freight, etc., £7 10s., and there remains still due to him £49 6s. 10d.: ordered the remainder to be paid: allowed.

'We have also bought from Captain Charles Armstrong 71 pieces of round timber, containing three tun five feet and three quarters at 48s. per tun, and fifty feet to the tun, amounting to £7 9s. 6d., which are paid for. We have also bought of Mr. Nicholas Edwards 68 planks, containing 1,117 feet at two pence per foot, amounting to £9 6s. 2d., which are paid for. We have also bought from Mr. Abraham Clarke more 103 pieces of timber, containing five tun thirty feet and a quarter at 46s. per tun, and forty feet to the tun, amounting to £12 0s. 2d., which are paid for. We have also bought from Messieurs Montgomery and White 25 planks, containing

1723. Ballast Office. 217 feet, at three half pence per foot, amounting to £1 7s. 2d., which are paid for. We have also bought from Messieurs Montgomery and White fourteen pieces of timber, amounting to £5 13s. 5d., which are paid for. We have also bought of Mr. Maurice Humphreys 83 pieces of timber, containing six tuns twenty nine feet and a half at 44s. per tun, and forty feet to the tun, amounting to £14 16s. 6d,, which are paid for: Roll xix. m. 154 b.

Frames. Extent. 'We have since the last assembly made and set down fourteen frames, which extend in length eastwards sixteen perch and eight feet, and are filling them with stones (they all stand very upright and well) and we are going on in making more frames to be set down where your honours will please to direct: ordered to proceed as the committee shall direct: allowed.

Gabbards. 'We are repairing and careening the gabbards, which will be a considerable expense to the Office:

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours:

'Mathew Pearson.—Thomas Curtis.—Thomas Wilkinson.—John Reyson.—John Porter.—James Somervell.—Stearne Tighe.—John Vareilles.—David Latouche.—Richard Blair.—John Taylor.'

An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 26th of April, 1723, inclusive, to the 19th of July, 1723, exclusive.

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
To balance of accounts to last assembly	152	9	10	By sundry disbursements on the Office accounts, from the 26th April, inclusive, to the 19th of July. 1723, exclusive ..	958	18	11
Received since to the 19th of July, 1723, exclusive	974	18	0	By cash paid to alderman Burton, for the Office use	100	0	0
	£1127	7	10	By Balance in the Office ...	68	8	11
In alderman Burton's hands, for the Office use	400	0	0		£1127	7	10
Balance in the Office ...	68	8	11				
	£468	8	11				

N.B.—There are more debts due than the above balance in the Office will answer.

Franchise. Admissions to franchise. m. 156.

Roll xix. m. 153 b.

1723.—September 23. 1723.

Edward Ford, esquire. setting forth that on the 28th Ford. of June last he bought from the city by public cant a holding on the Blind Quay, known by the name of Mr. Blind Quay. Thompson's holding, containing in front to the Blind Public sale. Quay thirty seven feet in depth from front to rere, forty one foot, and fronting the river forty three feet, for which he was to pay the annual rent of £27 19s.. of which sum he was obliged to purchase off one third at twenty Purchase. years' purchase and another third at the same rate, if he Rate. thought fit; that he was desirous to purchase off two thirds of the said rent, amounting to £372 13s. 4d., but Rent. in right the lease of the said holding does not determine till Michaelmas, 1724, he hoped the city would allow him one year's interest of the said two thirds, being £26, so that the nett purchase money to the city to be paid down is £346 13s. 4d., reserving the other third to the city, being annual rent of £9 6s. 4d., and therefore prayed that the city would accept of the said £346 13s. 4d. in lieu of the purchase of the said two thirds, to be paid down reserving to the city the annual rent of £9 6s. 4d.: whereupon it was accordingly granted and allowed.

m. 169.

1723. October 18.—Third Friday after 29 September.

Lord Mayor: John Porter; Sheriffs: Gilbert King and Henry Burrowes.

[1.] Robert Fortune, clerk to the right honourable the Lord Mayor, praying the usual allowance to support the dignity of the mayoralty: ordered that the treasurer do, Mayoralty. on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner for the Payment. use of his lordship the sum of five hundred pounds, sterling, one moiety at Christmas next and the other moiety at midsummer next, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

[2.] The said Robert Fortune, praying consideration for his services as clerk to the commissioners of array: Commissioners of array. ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayor's

1723. warrant, pay the petitioner ten pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed him on his accounts. Roll xix. m. 160.

Wybrants. Commons. Payment. [3.] Bartholomew Wybrants, praying consideration as clerk to the commons: ordered the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner ten pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed him on his accounts.

Layfield. City music. [4.] Lewis Layfield, major hautboy, praying consideration for his past services: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner ten pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed on his accounts.

Nelson. City works. [5.] James Nelson, assistant to the masters of the city works, setting forth that for the year last past his whole time hath been taken up in constantly attending the public works of the city, which hath been far greater than formerly, and therefore prays a consideration: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, Payment pay the petitioner for his past services sixty guineas, the same to be allowed on his accounts.

Barkey. [6.] Anthony Barkey, alderman, setting forth that on the 19th of July last he purchased by cant from the city City ground. two several lots, numbers 40, 41, being part of the city Rogerson's Quay. ground, between sir John Rogerson's Quay and the late Lazers Hill. Mr. Mercer's ground on the back of Lazers hill, at the yearly rent of £6 16s., and by the advertisement was to pay down one-third of the said rent at twenty years' purchase on perfection of a fee farm lease, the remaining two thirds of the rent to commence from Michaelmas, Purchase. 1725, is desirous to purchase off the said rent of £6 16s., at twenty years' purchase, amounting to £136, reserving to the city five shillings per annum, allowing him the interest of £90 13s. 4d., being the remaining two thirds for two years to Michaelmas, 1725, amounting to £12 14s., Payment. and the nett money paid down to the city is £118 6s.; and he therefore prayed to accept of the same in lieu of the purchase of the said rent of £6 16s., reserving to the city the yearly rent of five shillings; and it was thereupon ordered accordingly.

Roll xix. m. 160 n.

[7.] Anthony Barkey, alderman, Edward Ford, esquire, James Mullen and George Coates, merchants, setting forth that on the 28th day of June last they severally purchased holdings by cant on the Blind Quay, pursuant to an advertisement, and performed all the requisites and perfected leases, but find on inquiry into their several leases that two capons or five shillings in lieu thereof are to be annually paid out of each lease to the Lord Mayor for the time being, not according to agreement, and no mention being made thereof at the time of the cant, nor any notice taken in the said advertisement, and pray that the capons or five shillings in lieu thereof be remitted, and that an order be conceived to release them from the said duties: it was thereupon ordered that the capons, or five shillings in lieu thereof, in their several leases be remitted, and that an order to that purpose be endorsed on the said leases. 1723. Purchases. Blind Quay. Leases Remission.

[8.] Jacob Nixon, setting forth that on the 19th of July last he purchased in trust for Darby Egan, esquire, by cant, five several lots, numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, being part of the city ground between sir John Rogerson's Quay and the late Mr. Mercer's ground, at the yearly rent of £44 7s. 6d., that one third of the said rent was to be fined of at twenty years' purchase, the same to be paid down, amounting to £295 16s. 8d., which hath been since paid by the said Mr. Egan, therefore prays that a lease of the said five lots be made to the said Egan in his own name, he performing all requisites, pursuant to the said cant, upon which it was ordered accordingly. City ground. Rogerson's Quay.

[9.] John Vareilles, setting forth that on the 19th of July last he purchased by cant four several lots, numbered 24, 25, 50, 51, being part of the city ground between sir John Rogerson's Quay and the late Mr. Mercer's ground, on the back of Lazers Hill, at the rent of £20 per annum, and by advertisement was to pay down one third of the rent at twenty years' purchase on perfection Vareilles. City ground. Lazers Hill Purchase.

1723. of a fee farm lease, and the remaining two thirds of the rent to commence from Michaelmas, 1725; he is desirous to purchase off the rent of £20 at twenty years' purchase, amounting to £400, sterling, reserving five shillings per annum to the city, allowing him the interest of £266 13s. 4d., being the remaining two thirds, for two years to Michaelmas, 1725, which amounts to £37 6s. 8d., so that the nett money to be paid down is £357 13s. 4d., and prays to accept of the said £357 13s. 4d., in lieu of the said rent of £20, reserving five shillings per annum, and it was thereupon ordered accordingly. Roll xix. m. 160 b. Payment.

Thomas Ellis. [10.] Thomas Ellis, setting forth that on the 19th day of July last he purchased by cant five several lots, numbered 12, 13, 32, 33, 34, part of the city ground between sir John Rogerson's Quay and the late Mr. Mercer's ground on the back of Lazers Hill, at the yearly rent of £28, and by advertisement was to pay down one third at twenty years' purchase on perfection of a fee farm lease and the remaining two thirds of the rent to commence from Michaelmas, 1725, and is desirous to purchase off the rent of £28 at twenty years' purchase, amounting to £560, reserving five shillings per annum thereout, allowing him the interest at £373 6s. 8d., being the remaining two thirds for two years to Michaelmas, 1725, which amounts to £52 5s. 4d., so that the money paid down is £502 14s. 8d., therefore prays to accept of the said £502 14s. 8d. in lieu of the said rent of £20 per annum, reserving five shillings per annum, and it was thereupon ordered accordingly. City ground. Lazers Hill. Purchase. Lease. Payment.

Taylor. [11.] John Taylor, setting forth that on the 19th of July last he purchased by cant from the city two several lots numbered 28, 29, being part of the city ground between sir John Rogerson's Quay and the late Mr. Mercer's ground on the back of Lazers Hill at the rent of £10 10s. and by advertisement was to pay down one third of the said rent at twenty years' purchase on perfection of a fee farm lease and the remaining two thirds of the rent to City ground. Lazers Hill.

commence at Michaelmas, 1725, and he is desirous to purchase of the said rent of £10 10s. at twenty years' purchase, amounting to £210, reserving five shillings per annum to the city, allowing him the interest of £140, being the remaining two thirds for two years to Michaelmas, 1725, which amounts to £19 12s., so that the money to be paid down is £185 8s., and therefore prays to accept of the same in lieu of the purchase of the said rent of £10 10s., reserving the annual rent of five shillings: whereupon it was ordered accordingly. 1723. Purchase. Payment.

[12.] William Hutchinson, merchant, setting forth that on the 16th of August last he purchased by cant the lots numbered 42, 43, being part of the city ground between sir John Rogerson's Quay and the late Mr. Mercer's ground, at the rent of £6 13s. 6d., that by advertisement one third of the said rent, at twenty years' purchase, was to be paid down on perfection of a fee farm deed, amounting to £44 10s., and for a valuable consideration hath assigned and made over the aforesaid lots to Mr. Arthur Lamprey, who hath paid the aforesaid third part of the purchase money, and therefore prays the lease of said two lots may be made to the said Lamprey in his own name, he performing all requisites: whereupon it was granted and allowed. Hutchinson. City ground. Purchase. Lamprey.

[13.] Barnaby Middleton, setting forth that on the 19th of July last he purchased by cant from the city two several lots, numbered 46, 47, being part of the city ground between sir John Rogerson's Quay and the late Mr. Mercer's ground on the back of Lazers Hill, at the annual rent of £8 2s. 6d., that by advertisement he was to pay down one third of the said rent at twenty years' purchase, on perfection of a fee farm lease, and the remaining two thirds of the said rent is to commence from Michaelmas, 1725, that the petitioner is desirous to purchase off the said rent of £8 2s. 6d., at twenty years purchase, amounting to £162 10s., reserving to the city five shillings per annum thereout, the city allowing him Middleton. Purchase. City ground. Lazers Hill.

1723. the interest of £108 6s. 8d., being the remaining two thirds for two years to Michaelmas, 1725, which amounts Payment. to £15 3s. 4d., so that the nett money to be paid down is £142 6s. 8d., and therefore prays the city to accept of the said £142 6s. 8d. in lieu of the purchase of the said rent of £8 2s. 6d., reserving to the city thereout the usual rent of five shillings: whereupon it is granted and allowed. Roll xix. m. 159. m. 159 b.

Arthur. Lamprey. [14.] Arthur Lamprey, setting forth that on 19th of July last he purchased by cant from the city two several City ground. lots, numbered 44, 45, being part of the city ground between sir John Rogerson's Quay and the late Mr. Mercer's ground on the back of Lazers Hill, at the annual rent of £7, that by advertisement he was to pay Purchase down one third of the said rent at twenty years' purchase, on perfection of a fee farm lease and the remaining two thirds of the said rent is to commence from Michaelmas, 1725, that the petitioner is desirous to purchase off the said rent of £7 at twenty years' purchase, amounting to £140, reserving to the city five shillings per annum thereout, the city allowing him the interest of £93 6s. 8d., being the remaining two thirds for two years to Michaelmas, 1725, which amounts to £13 1s. 2d., so that the nett Payment. money to be paid down is £121 18s. 10d., and therefore prays the city to accept of the said £121 18s. 10d. in lieu of the purchase of the said rent of £7, reserving to the city thereout the annual rent of five shillings: whereupon it is granted and allowed.

Surdeville. [15.] Susanna Surdeville, widow of alderman Surdeville, deceased, setting forth that she is tenant to the Castle street. city for a piece of ground on the south side of Castle street, by lease granted to the said Edward Surdeville for the lives of him, the said Edward, Susanna, the petitioner, and William Tew, renewable for ever on payment of twelve shillings as a fine on every renewal, Westland. and therefore prayed that William Westland, junior, might be inserted as a new life instead of the said

Roll xix. m. 159 d. alderman Edward Surdeville, deceased: whereupon it is granted and allowed. 1723.

[16.] Peter Verdoen, merchant, setting forth that Mr. Jeremiah Pepyat, city printer and stationer, being indebted to him in the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds and upwards, and the said Pepyat, having by bill under his hand on alderman Page desired and requested that eighty three pounds nine pence, due by the city to the said Pepyat, might be paid the said Verdoen, and therefore prayed that the said sum of eighty three pounds nine pence be paid the petitioner, according to the said bill on alderman Page: whereupon it is ordered that the said sum of eighty three pounds nine pence be paid the petitioner, according to the said bill; that the same be paid by the Lord Mayor's warrant, and allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Verdoen. Pepyat, City printer.

[17.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that sir Standish Hartstonge is tenant to the city for the Little Green in Oxmantown, at the yearly rent of six pounds, that there is due thereout upwards of twenty pounds rent and no improvements on the premises, and that several other tenants are considerably in arrear to the city, and prayed that such remedy be taken for recovery of the said arrear due by sir Standish Hartstonge and all other the city tenants that are two years rent or upwards in arrear, the same to be by ejectment or in such other manner as should be thought fit: granted: allowed. Hartstonge. Little Green. Oxmantown. Tenants.

m. 158. [18.] Samuel Webber, clerk, setting forth that the reverend Mr. Robert Grattan was curate of the parish of Baldoyle, under the nomination and appointment of the city, for which the city allowed him £5 per annum, and also reserved £5 per annum more out of the lease of Baldoyle for that purpose, that on the removal of the said Mr. Grattan to the parish of St. Bridget,[1] the lord arch- Webber. Robert Grattan. Baldoyle. St. Bride's parish.

[1] St. Bride's, Dublin.

1723. Howth. bishop of Dublin hath given the petitioner the parish of Howth, and is willing to grant him a licence for the said cure of Baldoyle, the said Mr. Grattan having surrendered all his right and interest therein to the city, and therefore prayed a nomination from the city to the said cure: whereupon it is ordered that the petitioner be and is hereby nominated curate of Baldoyle, with the annual allowance of £5 from the city and £5 more per annum out of the lease of Baldoyle, as usual. Roll xix. m. 158.

Allowance.

Dawson. [19.] Ephraim Dawson, esquire, setting forth that last assembly there was an order for sealing a lease to him of the city Crane in Winetavern street, that being out of town for a considerable time and his late constant attendance in parliament[1], the said lease could not be perfected, and therefore prayed that the same might be sealed next past assembly, pursuant to former order: granted: allowed.

Lease. City Crane. Wine-tavern street.

Pepyat. North Strand. [20.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that Jeremiah Pepyat, city printer and one of the proprietors of the North Strand, is in arrear £45, September last, which is a delay in carrying on the work and in regard he holds his employ during the city's pleasure, prayed that for the time to come so much may be stopped out of each payment that shall be made him as shall be thought proper to satisfy the arrear and the accruing rent: Granted: and that, for the time to come, according to the prayer of the petition, a stoppage be made out of the said Pepyat's bill, to answer the arrear due by him to the proprietors of the North Strand, as the city shall think fit.

Doolittle. Desmy-nieres. [21.] Elizabeth Doolittle, widow, daughter of the late alderman John Desmynieres, once Lord Mayor[2] of this city, praying relief from the city to support her: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, do pay the petitioner ten pounds, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Grant.

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[1] As member for the Queen's county.

[2] In 1666. *See* vol. iv. p. 387.

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[22.] William Toulmin, shoemaker, an ancient freeman and citizen, being much reduced prays some relief from the city to support him in his old age: ordered that the petitioner be paid twenty shillings per quarter during the city's pleasure, and that he be paid four pounds in hand. 1723. Grant.

[23.] William Foot, hosier, setting forth that he served as master of the corporation of hosiers, and as one of the members of the city for nine years, that he is now reduced to a very low condition, and prays some small annuity for support: ordered that the treasurer pay the petitioner four pounds, sterling, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, and that he be paid six pounds per annum, by quarterly payments, during the city's pleasure, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Foot. Corporation of hosiers. Grant.

[24.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: granted: allowed. Assembly.

[25.] Certain of the commons, setting forth to last Midsummer assembly that the proprietors of the North Strand are under great discouragement to go on with the work by reason of that part of the said Strand between the Batchelors' Walk and that part which belongs to the proprietors not being enclosed, which occasions such a current of water when the tide goes out that it hath already occasioned great damage to the said work, and will prove a great detriment to the same, and therefore prayed that the said Strand might be enclosed for the city use or otherwise be disposed of as shall be thought fit: which petition was referred to a committee, who made the following report, videlicet: North Strand. Batchelors' Walk. Committee.

'We, the within committee, have examined the matter to us referred, and find that great inconveniences have happened to several ships by reason of the within channel not being enclosed, and that the same will not perfectly answer the designed end occasioned by the great quantity of water running through the breach which ought to go through the channel and keep the same clean. Therefore Report. Ships.

m. 158 b.

1723. to prevent further mischief and for the advantage of that channel, we are of opinion that a wall be built and backed by the Ballast Office, at their expense, from the Dock. wall adjoining Mr. Marney's dock to the North Strand keay, with all convenient speed, which we submit to your honours this 6th of October, 1723.' And the said commons praying this assembly to confirm the said report, the following order was made, videlicet: Roll xix m. 158 b.

Granted: the committee's report confirmed, and that the work be done accordingly, and that a watering place for horses be made in the most convenient part of the said works, and that the Ballast Office be repaid by the city the expense of the wall, and that the said wall be backed by the Ballast Office: allowed.

Ballast Office. [26.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 18th October, 1723:

Report. 'Pursuant to your honours' orders to us of the last Midsummer assembly, we have proceeded in carrying on Frames. the piling work in frames towards the east, and in order thereunto we have bought from Mr. Abraham Clark 139 Timber. pieces of timber, containing 14 tuns, 33 feet, and three quarters, at 46 shillings per tun, and forty feet to the tun, amounting to £34 2s. 10d., which remained due to him, as per order of said last assembly; we also bought from the said Clark 62 pieces of timber, containing 9 tun 31 feet and a quarter at 46s. per tun and 40 feet to the tun, amounting to £22 9s. 11d., which is also paid. We also bought from Mr. Thomas Doran 129 pieces of timber, containing 10 tun 12½ feet, at 50s. per tun, amounting to £25 15s. 7½d., at forty feet to the tun, which are paid for. We also bought from Mr. John Cookman 175 pieces of timber, containing 22 tuns and 29 feet at 50s. per tun, amounting to £56 16s. 6d., at 40s. to the tun, of which sum there is £9 1s. 9½d. paid, so there remains due to him £47 14s. 5½d.:' ordered to be paid as committee think most proper; allowed. 'We

Roll xix. m. 158 b. also bought from Mr. Maurice Humphrys 28 pieces of timber, containing two tun 26 feet, at £1 10s. per annum, amounting to £3 19s. 6d., at forty foot to the tun, which are paid for. We also bought more from Mr. Abraham Clark, 98 pieces of timber, containing 18 tun 38 feet and three quarters, at £2 8s. per tun, amounting to £45 10s. 6d., at forty feet to the tun, of which sum we had paid him £30, and there remains still due to him £15 10s. 6d.: ordered: the committee to pay as they think fit: m. 157. allowed. We have also bought from Mr. Joshua Lawson 70 pieces of timber, containing 9 tun 28 feet and three quarters, at 40s. per tun amounting to £19 18s. 9d., at forty foot the tun, which are paid for. We have also bought from Mr. Joshua Lawson more 60 pieces of timber, containing 8 tun 6 feet and three quarters, at 40s. per tun, amounting to £16 6s. 9d., at 40 feet to the tun, which are paid for. We have also bought from Casper White 40 pieces of timber, containing ten tun four feet and three quarters, at 40s. per ton, amounting to £20 4s. 9d., which are paid for. We have also bought from Mr. John Jenkins 85 pieces of timber containing 6 tuns and sixteen feet at 40s. per tun, amounting to £12 16s. at 40 feet to the tun, which are paid for. We have also bought from Messieurs Montgomery and White 400½ pieces of planks at £3 10s. per 100, amounting to £15 15s., which are paid for. We have also bought of Mr. Casper White a piece of Pomerania timber for a keilson for a gabbard that was overhauled and repaired this season, amounting to £2 13s. 5d., which is paid for. We have likewise this season expended in overhauling and careening and repairing of gabbards and float about £130 sterling. Careening. We have likewise bought from Edward Wingfield of Powerscourt, esquire, 100 tuns of oak timber at 49s. per tun, we have received 35 tun thereof, and have paid him £40 sterling in part for the said timber. Wingfield. Powerscourt. We have made and set down since the last Midsummer assembly twelve frames which extend eastward

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1723. fifteen perche and nineteen feet, which twelve frames, together with the fourteen frames mentioned in our last midsummer report, make twenty six frames, which twenty six frames together extend in length eastward thirty two pearch six foot; there are two frames more in hand which will be finished in a few days and set down where your honours will please to direct:' ordered to proceed down as the committee think fit: allowed. Roll xix. m. 157.

'There is a considerable quantity of timber now in the Ballast Office yard, as per annexed abstract may appear, in order to make more frames to be set down where your honours will please to direct, and when the weather will serve for so doing:' ordered to proceed as the committee think fit: allowed.

'We the said committee do think it proper to lay before your honours that the said frame work has been carried on in a direct line from west to east, and we do not apprehend that if the same be carried on and continued in the same direct line eastward, it will range some hundred yards to the south of the Pearch, and how consistent that range may be with the good of the channel and of the bar we think deserves to be well considered; for when that line was well staked out, the then Lord Mayor, aldermen, Sheriffs, several merchant venturers, owners and masters of ships, and other citizens that understand sea affairs, were summoned, and did meet and agreed upon staking out the said line where it now ranges, before any piling work was begun or entered upon, and we are of opinion that the same care and caution that was first taken in staking out the said line should be made use of in carrying on the same, and that such further directions may be given relating thereto as is proper for so doing:' ordered: the committee to take advice about said work and to report their opinions to the next assembly; and after the frames now made be set down to desist till after some report made:

Frame work.
Line.
Pearch.
Meeting. Agreement.
Advice.

'We have, by the means and assistance of Mr. John

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Deacon, detected several of our gabbard men, and found them to be great rogues, and have cheated the Office of more than we can at present prove against them, some of which have turned out and bound over in order to be prosecuted, and have put others in their places, and have established such rules and orders for the better regulating and managing the said gabbards as we hope will prevent any such evil practices for the future, provided the said orders be honestly executed. The said John Deacon will apply by petition to your honours for a reward for his good service done, to the said Office, which we think he well deserves:' referred to committee: allowed. 1723. Gabbardmen. Frauds.

'Informations have been given in against the following persons, videlicet: William Welsh, Perce Brookes, James Coulter, John Hankinson; and bills of indictment have been found against them in the Tholsel court for taking the soil and sand of the South Strand belonging to the city of Dublin, which indictments your honours may order to be prosecuted as your honours shall think fit: Captain William Scriven is appointed by the Office to take care of the same:' committee to prosecute as they think most proper: allowed. Informations. South Strand. Scriven.

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'The Ballast Office is obliged by act of parliament for erecting the same to lay the accounts of the annual receipts and payments of the said Office, once in every three years, before the Government and council, therefore we have thought it proper to prepare the said abstract in order to lay it before your honours for your approbation and for the city seal, when your honours will think it proper to affix the same thereto: Accounts.

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed, all which is humbly submitted to your honours:

'Mathew Pearson.—Thomas Wilkinson.—John Reyson.—David Latouche.—Thomas Corker.—James Somervell.—John Vareilles.—Robert Nesbitt.'

1723. An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 19th of July, 1723, inclusive, to the 18th of October, 1723, exclusive: Roll xix. m. 157 b.

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.
Balance given in to last assembly	471	14	3
To cash received since to the 18th of October, 1723, exclusive ...	861	5	2½
Total ...	£1332	19	5½

N.B.—There are more debts due than the above balance in the Office will answer.

Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
By sundry disbursements on the Office accounts, from the 19th July, inclusive, to the 18th of October, 1723, exclusive ...	1016	7	11
Balance	316	11	6½
	£1332	19	5½

Of which in alderman Burton's hands, £200.

Franchise. Admissions to franchise. m. 161.

1723. October 29. m. 157 b.

Parliament. Certain of the commons, setting forth that heads of a bill are preparing in parliament for regulating the weighing of hides, beef, butter, tallow, etc:

Weighmasters. 'That it is apprehended some particular persons will endeavour to be appointed weighmasters in the said bill for the use aforesaid, that in regard heretofore the chief magistrate of the city for the time being was thought a proper person to appoint weighmasters, being clerk of the market: and therefore pray that speedy application be made to parliament and elsewhere, at the expense of the city, to prevent such persons being appointed by the aforesaid act, the same by ancient custom and several acts of parliament being always vested in the city. Whereupon it is granted and allowed.

1723-4. 1723-4. January 17—Fourth Friday after 25 December, 1722. m. 163.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth to the said assembly their being apprehensive that Mr. William Strand. Hendrick intends to build on the strand, opposite the Bowling Green, Oxmantown. Bowling Green, in Oxmantown, and to fill up the ground thereto adjoining, which will be a great prejudice to the

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city, and a public inconvenience, and therefore prayed that whensoever the said Mr. Hendrick or any other person whatsoever attempts to put any such design in execution, or to lay any dirt between the two bridges, a speedy stop be put thereto by the Lord Mayor for the time being, and that the city indemnify his Lordship for so doing: whereupon it is granted and allowed. 1723-4. Hendrick

[2.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that by act of Michaelmas assembly, 1722, the late alderman Surdeville was then empowered to send to Holland for a quantity of timber to be laid down in pipes in this city, that in November, 1722, the said alderman Surdeville received from the city, for the use aforesaid, the sum of five hundred and fifty pounds, which as yet hath not been expended in Holland in buying the said timber, and therefore prayed that such sum as remains over and above what is already paid for the said timber be demanded from the executors of the said alderman Surdeville: whereupon it is granted, and that alderman Page, receiver general of the city revenues, do make a demand from the executors of alderman Surdeville of the said money. Surdeville. Holland Timber.

[3.] Committee of the water course: Water-course.

Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, treasurer, masters of the works, aldermen Stoyte, Bolton, Quayle, Forbes, Wilkinson, Curtis:

And twelve of the commons to be named by the commons, or any nine of them, the Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs to be always two, are appointed a committee to view the water course, every one of the committee to have timely notice of their meeting.

[The twelve of the commons]:

Humphry French, Charles Hendrick, James Somervell, William Aldrich, William Aston, Philip Pearson, William Delap, John Vareilles, John Aigoin, Thomas Cogan, Thomas Bignell, Thomas Motley.

[4.] Mr. John Macarell and Mr. Robert Nesbitt, late

1723-4. Masters of City works. Sheriffs, are appointed masters of the city works for the ensuing year. Roll xix. m. 163.

Dawson. [5.] Ephraim Dawson, esquire, setting forth that last assembly there was an order for sealing a lease to him of Winetavern street. the city Crane, in Winetavern street, which as yet is not perfected, and therefore prayed that the same be sealed next post assembly: granted: allowed.

[6.] John Macarell and Robert Nesbitt, merchants, late Sheriffs, setting forth that heretofore it hath been Collection. usual for the Sheriffs annually to collect sixpence per Landgabel. house by the name of land gabel money, towards the support of their office, that by act of assembly the same was ordered to be remitted for the future, and therefore prayed an equivalent: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner thirty pounds, videlicet, fifteen pounds to each, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

City stables. [7.] Richard West, overseer of the city stables, setting forth that by order of the sub-committee appointed for managing the cleansing of the streets he attended the business of out overseer of the city carts since the beginning of September last, at which time Mr. Samuel Nelson quitted the said business; that the said business, together with his early and late attendance at the city stables, has taken up all his time, and therefore prayed a gratuity: ordered that the petitioner's present salary of £20 per annum be augmented to £30 per annum during the city's pleasure to commence from All Saints last, and that the petitioner be obliged not only to attend the city stables as usual but constantly to attend the city carts in the streets.

[8.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the m. 163 b. Assembly. assembly till nine o'clock: granted: allowed.

Ballast Office. [9.] The report of the committee of Directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly of the city of Dublin of the 17th January, 1723[-4]:

Report. 'We have, pursuant to your honours' directions to us of

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the last assembly, desisted from making any more frames 1723-4.
or carrying on the piling work; but by your honours'
directions we are carrying on the wall of the North Strand Wall. North Strand.
between the west end of the quay of the said Strand
already built and the east end of Mr. Marney's dock, and
have made good progress therein; for building of which
wall we are furnished with good stones at ten pence half Stones.
penny per tun, by one Brown on the Strand, which is a
penny per tun cheaper than the stones cost the Ballast
Office for part of the last year, and three half pence a tun
cheaper than the stones cost the said Office for the other
parts of the said year:

'We pay eleven pence per hogshead for roach and ten
pence per hogshead for slack lime to Mr. Montgomery Lime.
and Mr. Cunningham for the work of the said wall:

'We pay Mr. Robinson, the mason, nine pence per perch
for the workmanship of the same, computing one foot Work.
high, twenty one feet long, and eighteen inches broad to
each perch, and we are obliged to pay labourers for dig- Perch. Dimensions.
ging and clearing the foundation of the said wall:

'The sand for making the mortar, and the gravel for Mortar. Gravel.
backing the wall we have brought by the Ballast Office
gabbards, at two pence per tun for dredging and bring-
ing the same to the said wall, and one penny per tun to Rates North Wall.
labourers for throwing the said sand and gravel out of
the said gabbards:

'It will also be necessary for carrying on the said wall,
that my Lord Mayor and the gentlemen that assisted at
staking out the range of the said North Wall, with any Range.
other proper to assist his Lordship therein, should meet
and stake out the place that is designed and intended to
be left for a public watering place or inlet through the Watering place.
said wall into the river Liffy:

'It is hoped that the said wall may be finished by the
beginning of April next if money be furnished by the
city for buying materials, and paying workmen for
doing the same:

1723-4. 'We have appointed Mr. Luntley to attend the work of the said wall, and to keep a just account of the tuns of stones, the tuns of sand and gravel and the hogsheads of lime that will be used in making the same, and of the several days' work of the several labourers that will be employed in digging and clearing the said foundation: Roll xix. m. 163 b.

Stones. Sand. Lime. Labour.

Ballast Office. Income. 'The income of the Ballast Office has been so small for some time past that they are not able to pay the debts of said Office, which are considerable, nor to carry on any work farther, without money, which the city may borrow on the credit of the said Office, if they think fit so to do.

'When the said wall is finished it will (if the weather then serves) be a proper season to go on with the said piling work if your honours are pleased to carry the said work any farther:' to proceed as money comes in: allowed.

Timber. 'There is a considerable quantity of timber in the Ballast Office timber yard, ready to be disposed of when and where and to what use your honours will please to direct:' to proceed on the piling at a proper season as money comes in: allowed.

Desmynieres. 'Since our last report the door keeper and messenger of the said office, Mr. Peter Desmynieres, died, and left a widow and four small children in a poor condition, as we are informed, in whose life time your honours were pleased in consideration of his family and poverty to add eleven pounds fifteen shillings a year to the constant salary of the said place, being eighteen pounds five shillings per annum, by which addition he had thirty pounds a year in the time of his sickness, a kinsman of his, one Lewis Desmynieres, the grandson of another alderman Desmynieres, who served Lord Mayor[1] of this city, and, as we are informed, receives some yearly charity from the said city, acted in the said place as door keeper and still continues so to do till your honours are pleased

[1] *See* page 42.

Roll xix. m. 163 b. to dispose of the same, for which place we believe the said Desmyniers is qualified, and will petition your honours. 1723-4.

'We have likewise by your honours' directions consulted several proper persons who have subscribed the annexed certificate in relation to the carrying on of the piling work of the said office: Consultation.

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed: All which is humbly submitted to your honours:

'Mathew Pearson. — Thomas Wilkinson. — Thomas Curtis.—John Reyson.—Thomas Corker.—John Taylor. John Vareilles.—Robert Nesbitt.—James Somervell.'

m. 162. 'The committee of directors for the Ballast Office having consulted and advised with us, the undernamed, in relation to the carrying on the piling work on the South Strand, we are of opinion that there is an absolute necessity for carrying on the said work in frames as far eastward as it is possible so to do: The reasons for so doing are that the storms that generally affect the harbour are from the south, the south-east, and the east, and that the great interval and distance that is now between the east end of the present row of piles and the extent of the bank towards the bay is all open to the said storms, and in all probability the said storms will drive the sand of said bank into Poolbegg, and in a little time will endanger both the filling up of the said Poolbegg and the choking of the channel if the said framework be not speedily carried on to prevent the same, and the rather because the present long row of pipes gives so great a check to the force of the water that comes on the south side of them, as makes the same run with the greater force at the end of the said row of piles and carry the said along with it into the said Poolbegg and channel towards the bar, and on the other hand, if the said pipework be so carryed on it will help to contract the water of the said channel into a narrower compass and occasion the same to run with a greater current to the bar, which

Certificate. South Strand. Frames. Storms. Harbour. Sand. Poolbegg. Pipes. Bar. Channel.

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which will help to prevent any sands gathering there to prejudice the same:' Ballast Office to proceed on the piling work as money comes in—the season will permit according to the opinion of those gentlemen who have signed this certificate: allowed: Roll xix. m. 162.

Certificate.

'Which certificate is signed by Thomas Lawrence, William Rowley, Captains of the men of war; William Montgomery, John Christian, Daniel Coningham, Thomas Gledstanes, Thomas Kirkpatrick, John Rieusset, Walter Davey, William Murtha, Caspar White, William Wilson, John Marney.'

An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 17th of October, 1723, exclusive to the 16th of January, 1723-[4.] inclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
To balance of accounts given in to last assembly	16	11	6½	By sundry disbursements on the Office account, from the 17th of October, 1723, exclusive, to the 16th of January, 1723[-4], inclusive	565	15	9½
To cash received of ships, etc., from 17th of October, 1723, exclusive to the 16th of January, 1723[-4], inclusive ..	364	17	8	By cash expended on account of the North Wall, as per account	109	7	5½
				Balance in the Office ...	6	5	11½
Total ..	£681	9	2½	Total ..	£681	9	2½

Franchise.

Admissions to franchise. m. 164.

1723-4. February 24. m. 162 b.

Mozly.

Thomas Mozly, setting forth that the place of one of the officers at mace, of the city of Dublin, is become vacant by the death of John Thomson, and praying to be admitted into the said employ, he having undeniable security for the performance of the said office: whereupon it is granted during the city's pleasure, the petitioner giving such security to indemnify the city as the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs shall approve of, and that the petitioner shall discharge the duty without any expectation for him or his family of any gratuity from the city for doing the same: allowed.

Thomson, Officer at mace.

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1724 April 17.—Second Friday after Easter.[1] 1724.

[1.] Petition of certain of the commons, praying that weigh-masters be appointed pursuant to an act of parliament[2] lately passed for weighing butter and tallow and marking casks: whereupon it is ordered that four weigh-masters be appointed for the city of Dublin pursuant to the said act, and that the right honourable John Porter, esquire, Lord Mayor of the said city, Henry Burrows, esquire, one of the Sheriffs of the same, Mr. Robert Nesbitt and Mr. Digby Ormsby be and are hereby appointed weigh-masters of the said city for weighing butter and tallow, and for marking and branding of casks, and upon their giving respectively security according to the said act that one or more commission or commissions issue, under the seal of this city, to confirm the said weigh-masters in the said office or offices under this express condition, that the said persons or any of them hereby appointed weigh-masters who shall trade or deal by themselves or any in trust for them in either of the said commodities, that then and in such case he or they who shall offend therein and act contrary thereto shall forfeit his or their office or offices of weigh-masters. Weigh-masters.

[2.] Petition of Thomas Holt, one of the supervisors of the Ballast Office, praying to be admitted to go for England, which, without his personal attendance, his affairs there will considerably suffer: granted for four months, and if he does not return by that time to lose his employment and his salary cease. Holt.

[3.] Petition of Lewis Desmynieres, praying to be admitted messenger to the committee of directors for the Ballast Office, which became vacant by the death of Peter Desmynieres: granted during city's pleasure, at the salary of eighteen pounds five shillings per annum, and that the five pounds charity formerly granted to him to cease and Desmynieres.

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[1] Easter day, 5 April, 1724. [2] George I., viii., cap. 7; and x., cap. 9.

1724. the salary to commence on the second of February last, the said annuity to cease then. Roll xix. m. 166.

Skiddy. [4.] Petition of Francis Skiddy, praying to be considered for his past services: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, do pay to the petitioner thirty pounds, sterling, for his past services, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts, and that he petition no more for past services.

Dawson. [5.] Ephraim Dawson, esquire, setting forth that last assembly there was an order for sealing a lease to him of the City Crane, in Winetavern street, which as yet is not perfected, and therefore prayed that the same be sealed next post assembly: granted.

Crane, Winetavern street.

Desmynieres. [6.] Mary Desmynieres, widow, praying relief from the city to support her: ordered that the petitioner be paid the sum of five pounds, formerly granted to Lewis Desmynieres, and now taken off from him, the said five pounds to commence the second of February last, Mr. Lewis Desmynieres being admitted a messenger to the Ballast Office.

Jones, attorney. [7.] Lewis Jones, gentleman, praying to be admitted one of the attorneys of the Tholsell court: granted, during city's pleasure.

Assembly. [8.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: ordered that the assembly be enlarged till nine o'clock.

City Clock-maker. [9.] Walter Bingham, city clock-maker, praying to be considered for his past services: ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner three pound, sterling, for his past services, and ten shillings per annum for the future.

Wilkinson. [10.] Alderman Thomas Wilkinson, setting forth that

Sale. he lately bought by public cant from the city the lots numbered 14, 15, 16, 17, 22, 23, 30, 31, being part of the

South Strand. South Strand, between sir John Rogerson's Quay and the late Mr. Mercer's ground, at the annual rent of £49 15s.,

Purchase. that the purchase of the said rent at twenty years'

Roll xix. m. 166. purchase amounts to £995, that he is desirous to purchase 1724. off two thirds of the said rent, allowing him £46 8s. 5d., for interest to Michaelmas, 1725, which amounts to £616 18s. 3d. and prayed the city would accept the m. 166 b. said sum of £616 18s. 3d.: granted: allowed.

[11.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office. Report Ballast Office to the general assembly of the city of Dublin, of the 17th of April, 1724:

'Pursuant to your honours' directions to us of the last assembly, we have desisted from carrying on the frame work for piling any farther for want of money sufficient to carry on the said work and the North Wall together, North Wall. but instead thereof we have applied what money the office has since produced towards carrying on the said North Wall, believing that to be a work of much greater necessity to be done at this time than the piling work, both for the good of the channel and the carrying on of the North Strand wall, by reason of the committee of the North Strand could not proceed in their work on the said Strand until the current of water which over- Water. flowed their work and hindered the same was stopped, which will be effectually done by finishing the said wall, as was settled by act of last Michaelmas assembly:' Ordered to proceed on the North Strand wall till finished: allowed.

'In the carrying on of which wall good progress has been made, and the whole would have been finished by this time had not the great floods both drowned our Floods. quarries and hindered us from getting stones, and also Quarries. hindered our gabbard men from dredging sand for mortar Dredging sand. and gravel for backing the said wall, and the great rains hindered the masons from working the same, but, above all, the want of money is likely to be the greatest hinderance of any by reason the office does not produce near so much money as usual, insomuch that all the money that has been received has not been sufficient to pay for the stones and the sand for the mortar and gravel for backing the said wall, and the labourers for digging and

1724. Lime. clearing the foundation for the same, and as for the lime, we have not paid one penny towards it yet, and but bare Masons. subsistence to the mason for his work, so that it is computed that the lime only for the whole wall, when finished, will amount to two hundred pounds, besides what sum will appear to be due to the mason upon Work. Measurement. measuring his work, and several debts due from the Office, which was mentioned in our last report, most of which is still due to the several people, and more debts have been contracted since. What your honours will please to order in relation to the city's paying for the said lime and for finishing the rest of the said wall, whether your honours will rather please to put a further Frames. stop to the said frames and piling work until the produce of the said Office shall fully satisfy and pay the whole charge of the said wall, and likewise pay and Debts. clear all other debts due to the said Office:' Ordered to proceed and finish the North Strand wall and then to proceed on the frames and piling: allowed. Roll xix. m. 166 b

'An abstract of the cash now in the Office is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours:

'Mathew Pearson.—Thomas Williamson.—Thomas Curtis.—John Reyson.—Robert Nesbitt.—James Somerville.—David Latouche.—John Vareilles.—John Taylor.'

An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from January 17th, 1723-[4], inclusive, to the 17th April, 1724, exclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cr.	£	s.	d.
To balance given to last assembly	6	5	11½	By sundry disbursements on the Office accounts from 17th January, 1723[-4], inclusive, to 17th April, exclusive	394	0	0
To cash received since by ships, etc., from January 17th, 1723[-4], inclusive, to the 17th April, 1724, exclusive ...	650	11	10	By cash expended on account of North Wall	248	11	5
				By balance in the Office	14	3	6
	£657	17	9½		£636	17	9

Franchise. Admissions to franchise. m. 167.

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1724. May 15. 1724.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth there was an order made that the committee of directors for the Ballast Office should proceed on the North Strand wall till finished, which has been carried on so as to stop the current of water which flowed the said Strand, by which means the old wall of the channel will be secured for the future, and apprehend it will be necessary for the said committee immediately to proceed in making frames and carrying on the piling work on the South Bull, there being now some timber lying in the Ballast Office yard for that purpose: granted: allowed. North Strand Wall. Water. South Bull.

[2.] Certain of the commons setting forth that there was a barbarous murder committed on the body of one of the lady dowager Blessington's servants, and in order that such person or persons should be brought to condign punishment, they therefore prayed that the Lord Mayor of this city should issue a proclamation offering a reward of twenty pounds to such person or persons as should apprehend the body of Thomas Morris, one of the watchmen of St. Mary's parish, who is supposed to have committed the said murder, so as the said Morris be brought to justice and convicted for the same: whereupon it was ordered that a proclamation should issue accordingly, and that the reward after conviction be paid by the treasurer on Lord Mayor's warrant, the same to be allowed on his accounts. Murder. Lady Blessington. Proclamation. Reward. Morris, watchman.

m. 171.

1724. July 17. Fourth Friday after 24 June.

[1.] The committee of directors for the North Strand, in behalf of the several proprietors, setting forth that the work at the North Strand is advanced within a few perch of the canal, and if by the violence and rapidness of the tide in that place any breach should happen, it would prove almost fatal to the whole design; and the said committee being of opinion that the speedy filling between the front and back walls is at this juncture of North Strand. Tide.

1724. Ballast Office. absolute necessity, and therefore pray that all the gabbards and lighters belonging to the Ballast Office (when they are not made use of in the work of the Office) be employed the remainder of this season to bring ballast to the said Strand: ordered that when the Ballast Office can spare three gabbards from their work that they may supply the petitioners with two and sir John Rogerson with one, and so in proportion to a greater number. Roll xix. m. 171.

Sir John Rogerson.

Mayoralty. Augmentation. [2.] Robert Fortune, clerk to the right honourable John Porter, esquire, Lord Mayor, praying an augmentation for his Lordship's use: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, do pay the petitioner the sum of four hundred pounds for his Lordship's use, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

King, Burrowes, Sheriffs. Allowance. [3.] Jacob Peppard, esquire, praying an allowance for Gilbert King and Henry Burrowes, esquires, present Sheriffs, towards the support of their employ: ordered that the petitioner be paid for the use of the Sheriffs the sum of two hundred pounds, videlicet, one hundred pounds to each, by the treasurer of the city, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the same to be allowed on account.

Auditors of city accounts. [4.] Lord Mayor and Sheriffs, sir John Rogerson, alderman Walton, sir John Eccles, aldermen Stoyte, Bolton, Barkey, Quayle, Forbes, sir Nathaniel Whittwell: and eighteen of the commons to be named by the commons, or any nine of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs to be always two, are appointed auditors of the city accounts for the last year.

[The eighteen of the commons:] Humphry French, Charles Hendrick, Nathaniel Kane, Nathaniel Pearson, Joseph Nuttall, Percival Hunt, Robert Nesbitt, William Aston, Thomas Corker, William Delap, John Vareilles, John Lord, Richard Norton, William Ryves, William Phillips, Robert Owens, Francis O'Hara, William Ord.

Committee. [5.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee for settling a method for auditing the city accounts had made their report and prayed that the same m. 171 b.

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might be confirmed with such further orders as should be thought proper, which report is as followeth: 1724.

'Pursuant to your honours' order of the last assembly to us directed, we, the committee appointed to consider of proper methods for auditing the city accounts, have examined the contents of the annexed petition and are of opinion that a new rent roll of all the city revenues under their several proper heads be forthwith made, that the houses and shops in New Hall market under Newgate and the houses in St. Thomas street be added to the said rent roll, and whereas there are disputes (as we are informed) between the city and Mr. Seagrave about the means and bounds of said houses in St. Thomas' street, and in order to settle the same for the future, we are of opinion that a survey should be taken of the several tenements there belonging to the city, both in front and rear in order to have maps drawn for each particular tenant's holding under the city, and that Mr. Seagrave be summoned to attend the said survey: Report. Rent roll. City revenues. St. Thomas' street.

'As to the Toll corn, we are of opinion that the city receiver general for the time being should give receipts to the Toll collector or collectors for such sum or sums of money as shall be paid him from time to time for the produce of beare sold to brewers and others, and that the said receipts be lodged with Mr. John Kirkwood, storekeeper of the Toll corn, or his successors in the said employ who is to account for the same with all the rest of the Toll corn, as often as the city shall think proper and that the said Kirkwood or his successors shall keep an exact account by way of debtor and creditor (which he shall be obliged to swear to) of the whole produce of all the Toll corn and likewise of the whole yearly expense that attends the said branch: Toll corn.

'As to the city customs collected at the several gates and avenues leading to the city, that the several collectors of the said customs pay the weekly produce thereof into the hands of the receiver general of the city revenues City customs at gates.

1724. for the time being every Monday morning, and that Roll xix. m. 171 b. he gives each collector a small book, wherein he shall enter the nett weekly produce thereof, and likewise what salaries are paid weekly to each collector and that the said books shall end the Monday immediately before the 25th day of March, and then the said receiver general shall sign each of the said books on settling and closing the same, which said books so signed shall be lodged by the said collectors with the Town Clerk for the time being to be a charge on the receiver general, and that the said collectors shall keep daily accounts of what they receive each day and bring the said accounts with them every Monday morning, and swear that the said several sums therein mentioned were the full produce of the weekly collections since the last payment made by him to the receiver general, and that he employs none under him to collect but such as shall be first sworn before the Lord Mayor:

Petty customs. Markets. 'As to the petty customs of the markets, the collectors m. 170. of the same shall be under the like regulations as the collectors of the city customs collected at the several gates and avenues leading to the city:

Three half-penny customs. 'As to the three half penny customs, the present collector thereof keeps an account book of the yearly produce of what is received from all compounders and from others that pay the said customs, as occasion offers, for which he accounts yearly with the receiver general, and is obliged to swear to the truth of his account for each year, and that the said collector for the time being shall leave a copy of his said yearly accounts, sworn and signed by him with the Town Clerk, and said account to be produced on auditing the city accounts, and it farther appears to us that he has two shillings and six pence per pound allowed him for collecting the same, and that the clear income of the said customs, according to the last accounts, amounted to one hundred fifty three pounds twelve shillings and nine pence:

Roll xix. m. 170.

'As to the freemen to be admitted into the franchises and liberties of the city from time to time, the Town Clerk shall draw out a quarterly account thereof, to be a charge on the receiver general and to be compared with his accounts: 1724. Freemen. Admissions.

'As to the revenues arising from the city pipe water we are of opinion that all the arrears on the said branch be forthwith collected, and for the future that the collectors are to collect said revenue half yearly, videlicet: for May and All Saints, and that they close their books yearly the next preceding Monday before the twenty-fifth day of March, with the particular account of the fines as well as the rents of said branch; and what may farther relate to the good management of said branch we recommend to the committee in being for regulating the same: City pipe water.

'As to the city rents which are in arrear at present we are of opinion that the city agent should endeavour forthwith to recover the same according to due course of law, and for the future that the receiver general for the time being ought not to let any arrears of rent to stand out above six months at most, but where it cannot well be avoided but arrears may happen that then and in such case to give notice to the city agent that he may sue for the same: City rents.

'And as we have examined and enquired into the several foregoing branches of the city revenue with their issues and profits, so we humbly conceive it would tend very much to the advantage of the city and some ease and satisfaction to the auditors if the city accounts were made up after another method than as they formerly were, therefore we are of opinion that the receiver general of the city revenues for the time being shall account for the future (after his passing of his next accounts ending Michaelmas, 1723), some time within ten days after the next 25th day of March, 1725, videlicet, for all the city rents ending Michaelmas and All Saints before, inclusive; and for all the rest of the casual revenue, issues, and City accounts. Auditors. Method.

1724. profits, as well receipts as disbursements to the said 25th day of March, exclusive, and so on every year till the city shall think fit to change the same; and likewise to account for each particular branch of the city revenue, issues and profits, under its proper head, by way of debtor and creditor for the receipts and disbursements that attend each branch: Roll xix. m. 170.

'And we are also of opinion, on entering on the afore- m. 170 b.
New method. said new method of accounting that the auditors of the city accounts do, the next general assembly, after passing such accounts, report and lay before the said assembly an abstract of the said yearly account; and that when the auditors shall be hereafter appointed that they order a sub-committee of themselves to peruse the accounts, who are to report their opinion therein to the said auditors: all which we refer to your honours, this 22nd day of June, 1724:

'John Porter.—Gilbert King.—Henry Burrowes.—William Dickson.—Thomas Bolton.—William Quayle.—Nathaniel Kane.—Peter Verdoen.—Joseph Nuttall.—William Aston.—William Ryves.'

Whereupon it is ordered that the committee's report be and is confirmed, and that the committee be continued to see the same put in execution: allowed.

[6.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that some
Quay wall. Essex Bridge. time ago the wall of the Quay near Essex Bridge, on the back of the Blind Quay was fallen down, and so remains dangerous for passengers that pass that way, and therefore pray that the said wall be rebuilt for the security of the public, and to prevent more of the said Quay's falling: granted that the said wall be rebuilt, so far as is opposite the ground belonging to the city.

[7.] Rowland Parker, Gilbert Kelly, Richard West, and Mathew Bowen, adjutants to the regiments of horse
City Militia Regiments. and foot militia in this city, praying to be considered for their several services as adjutants: ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the

Roll xix. m. 170 b. petitioners twenty pounds, sterling, videlicet, five pounds to each, the same to be allowed on his accounts. 1724.

[8.] Robert Lester, praying to be admitted one of the attornies of the Tholsel court: granted during the city's pleasure. Tholsel court.

[9.] Ann Thornton, widow of a freeman and ancient inhabitant, but by misfortunes much reduced and prays relief: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, do pay the petitioner six pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Thornton. Allowance.

[10.] James Eger, a reduced freeman and citizen, praying some subsistence being much reduced: ordered that the petitioner be paid by the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, ten pounds, sterling, towards his present relief, and that he be paid ten pounds per annum, during the city's pleasure, by half-yearly payments to commence from this assembly. Eger. Payments.

[11.] Daniel Hintz, senior, a freeman and inhabitant of this city, praying relief for himself and miserable family: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant pay the petitioner the sum of ten pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Hintz. Relief.

[12.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: granted. Assembly.

m. 169. [13.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly, July 17th, 1724: Ballast Office.

'Pursuant to your honours' orders of the last post assembly of the 15th day of May, we have gone on with the framing work upon the South Bull, and have made twelve frames, six of which are now gone down and fixed, and the remaining frames will go down with all possible expedition. Had the weather permitted all the frames that we have made would have been down by this time, but the badness of the season for some time past has prevented our gabbards from carrying down the shingle from Clontarf bar to the east end of the frames, South Bull. Frames. Weather. Clontarf.

1724. which has retarded our work upon the South Bull; yet Roll xix. m. 169. we are goeing on with making the frames in our yard at Ringsend with all possible dispatch:' ordered to proceed: allowed.

'We have, pursuant to a clause in a late act of parliament, staked out the channel with proper pearches at Ringsend, Polebegg. due distance from Ringsend point to Polebeg, to direct ships and gabbards in coming up the river. We have also, agreeable to the order of last Michaelmas assembly, North Strand. continued building the wall upon the North Strand westward, opposite to Mr. Thompson's yard, and there have made a return sufficient to stop the current of the tide from running to the eastward over said Strand. Wall. The expence of the said wall, backing and labourers, amounts to £24 17s. 0½d., as by the annexed account, a good part of which remains unpaid for want of money in the office to discharge the same.

'We have farther to report to your honours that this Gabbards. Floats. time all our gabbards and floats are very much out of repair and will take a considerable sum to refit them, and as this is the proper season of the year for such work, we conceive it absolutely necessary to set about it immediately: ordered the said floats and gabbards to be repaired: allowed. Since last assembly we have agreed Timber. with Mr William Gibton for 100 tun of oak timber at 48s. per tun. 70 tun of which to be squared and 30 tun round, from 70 to 20 feet in length and upwards, to be delivered at our yard by the 1st of October next, but for the present your committee is apprehensive that the work in the South Bull, being vigorously carried on, will soon be at a stop for want of long timber in making Frames. up the frames, and as the Office is at present bare in cash, and considerably in debt, we therefore hope your honours will reimburse the Office the expence they have been at in building the North Strand wall, to enable them the better to carry on their necessary work of this season:' Ordered that the treasurer of the city revenue do pay the

Roll xix. m. 169. Ballast Office two hundred pounds, sterling, in part of this expence, the same to be allowed him on his accounts: allowed: 1724.

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed:.

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours:

'Thomas Wilkinson.—Thomas Curtis.—John Reyson.—Robert Nesbitt.—David Latouche.—John Vareilles.—Thomas Corker.—John Taylor.'

Ordered that sir Nathaniel Whitwell, knight, alderman, be added to the committee of directors for the Ballast Office instead of alderman Mathew Pearson, deceased: allowed.

An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 16th of April, 1724, exclusive, to the 16th July, 1724, inclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
To balance given to the last assembly, ...	14	5	6	By sundry disbursements on the Office account, from the 16th day of April, 1724, exclusive, to the 16th day of July, 1724, inclusive	651	4	11½
To cash received since of ships, etc., from the 16th of April, 1724, exclusive, to the 16th of July, 1724, inclusive ...	963	7	3	By cash expended on account of the North Wall	115	18	1½
				By balance in the Office ...	210	9	8
	£977	12	9	Total	£977	12	9

N.B.—The Office owes more debts than the above balance will answer.

m. 172 Admissions to franchise. Franchise.

m. 169 b. 1724. September 8.

Certain of the commons, setting forth that they thought it necessary that application be made to his majesty, in the name of the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, commons, and citizens of this city, to prevent the passing of Mr. Wood's brass halfpence and farthings in this kingdom and the inconveniency that may attend the same, and therefore pray that the annexed petition be the peti- Wood's coinage.

1724. tion of the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, commons, and citizens of this city to his majesty, that the same be put under the city seal and laid before the Government in order to be transmitted to his majesty: whereupon it is granted and allowed, which petition is as followeth: Roll xix. m. 169 b.

'To the king's most excellent majesty:

'The humble petition of the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, commons, and citizens of the city of Dublin, in common council assembled:

'May it please your majesty:

Petition to George I. 'We, your majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, commons, and citizens of the city of Dublin, being truly sensible of your majesty's care of your subjects of this kingdom, and of the security they enjoy in all their religious and civil rights under your gracious protection, do with all humility and the greatest submission beg leave to lay before your majesty the evil consequences which we apprehend will inevitably follow from a circulation of the copper halfpence and farthings coined by virtue of the patent granted by your majesty to William Wood, esquire: m. 168.

Patent.

'The intelligence we formerly received from Great Britain that those halfpence and farthings were likely to be current among us, created great uneaseness in the minds of your people, and so alarmed your faithful subjects, that a great check was thereby given to the trade of the nation; but as the fears of their currency have of late greatly increased among all traders and dealers, we are under the strongest apprehensions in case they should be uttered among us, that it will tend to the ruin of public credit, put a stop to our trade and commerce, and prove the occasion of infinite quarrels and disputes to the impoverishment of this kingdom, the great diminution of your majesty's revenue, and the discontinuance of the good understanding and agreement which is at present so happily established between your majesty's army and your other subjects:

Halfpence. Farthings.

Traders.

Dealers.

Revenue.

Army.

Roll xix. m. 168.

'We beseech your majesty to be assured, that it was 1724.
our zeal for your government, the welfare and prosperity of our country, and the fatal effects we apprehend from a circulation of this copper coin of Mr. Wood, which obliges us thus earnestly to implore your royal favour and protection, and as your majesty (ever since your happy accession to the throne) has always expressed a tender concern for the interest of your subjects we are encouraged to hope from your royal compassion that some method may be yet found out to prevent the ruinous and mischievous consequences which, in our apprehensions, Consequences.
will unavoidably attend the currency of these half-pence Currency.
and farthings, and we beg leave upon this important occasion, in the most solemn manner, to renew our declarations of our inviolable duty and affection to your Declarations.
most sacred person and government, and that we are determined to hazard our lives and all that is dear to us, in defence of your majesty's undoubted title to the crown of these realms and supporting the succession in your royal house against all your enemies:

'May it therefore please your majesty to extend your royal goodness to your dutiful and loyal subjects of this kingdom, and that you will be graciously pleased to take such measures as, in your great wisdom, you shall judge proper to free us from the terrible apprehensions we Apprehensions.
labour under from the patent granted to Mr. Wood, and to prevent the ruin of multitudes of your faithful subjects.

'In testimony whereof, we have caused the common seal of the said city to be hereto affixed, this eighth day of September, anno Domini, 1724.'

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m. 177.

1724, October 16. Third Friday after 29 September. Lord Mayor: John Reyson; Sheriffs: Ralph Blundell and George Curtis.

[1.] Robert Fortune, clerk to the right honourable the Lord Mayor, setting forth that the Mayoralty of the Mayoralty.

1724. Expense. Allowance. city is attended with great expence, and therefore prayed the usual allowance: ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay to the petitioner the sum of five hundred pounds, sterling, for the use of his Lordship, one moiety at Christmas next, and the other moiety at Midsummer next, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts: allowed. Roll xix. m. 177.

Commissioners of array. [2.] Robert Fortune, clerk to the commissioners of array, praying consideration for his said service: ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner the sum of ten pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed on his accounts: allowed.

Wybrants, clerk to commons. [3.] Bartholomew Wybrants, setting forth that he has attended the duty as clerk to the commons and therefore prayed to be considered: ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner the sum of ten pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed on his accounts: allowed.

Water-bailiffs. [4.] John Jones and Charles Craven, water-bailiffs, praying to be continued in their said employments: granted during the city's pleasure: allowed.

Hawkins. Newgate. [5.] John Hawkins, keeper of Newgate, setting forth that he behaved himself carefully in the discharge of his duty, and therefore prayed to be continued in his employment: granted during the city's pleasure: allowed.

Officers at mace. [6.] Robert Goodwin, John Medcalf, Greenwood Hanna, John Smith, Francis M'Cann and William Justus, officers at mace, setting forth that they have honestly discharged themselves in their said offices, and therefore prayed to be continued therein: granted during the city's pleasure; but Justus to be under the order of suspension: allowed.

[7.] John Lester, John Reilly, Henry Tucker and Thomas Mozly, setting forth they have honestly discharged their duty, and therefore prayed to be continued in their employments: granted during the city's pleasure: allowed.

Roll xix. m. 177 b

[8.] Gilbert King and alderman Henry Burrowes, late Sheriffs, setting forth that it was usual for the Sheriffs of this city to collect six pence per house annually towards the support of said office, but the inability of several poor people occasioned them to remit the same, and therefore prayed an equivalent instead of the same: ordered that the petitioners be paid, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, thirty pounds, videlicet, fifteen pounds to each, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts: allowed. 1724. Sheriffs. Collection. Grant.

[9.] Bartholomew Wybrants, agent for the Blue Boys' Hospital, setting forth that in Midsummer assembly, 1662, the city did demise to Ralph Wallis a piece of ground situate near Braddock's Bridge, in Oxmantown, containing in length from Young's Castle in the south to the highway leading to Finglass, in the north, one hundred and fifty yards over and above eleven yards left for a highway, and containing in breadth on the south end of the said ground from east to west sixty yards, and in the north end of the said ground, containing on the north end aforesaid twelve yards, for the term of eighty one years, commencing at Easter, 1658, at the rent of four pounds per annum, and will determine at Easter, 1739; that the premises were mortgaged by the said Wallis' son to the said Hospital in 1706, for one thousand pounds, that he neglecting to pay the interest thereof a bill was filed in his Majesty's high court of chancery by the governors of the said Hospital to foreclose the equity of redemption and a decree obtained, and the premises sold last Trinity term by a master in chancery; that said premises being the most considerable part of the security for the said one thousand pounds, and are not any way sufficient to satisfy the debt to said Hospital, and therefore prayed a fee farm lease of said premises in trust and for the use of said Hospital, whereupon a committee was appointed, who made the following report: Wybrants. Blue Coat Hospital. Oxmantown. Wallis. Chancery. Sale.

'We, the committee to whom the contents of the within

1724. petition was referred, have viewed and surveyed the premises in the said petition mentioned, formerly set by the city to Ralph Wallis, for the term of eighty one years, to commence from Easter, 1658, at four pounds per annum, rent, which said lease will determine at Easter, 1739, as Report. in the said petition set forth: we find that the premises Young's Castle. do contain in length from Young's Castle in the south to Finglas. the way leading to Finglass Road to the north five hundred feet, on the north in depth thirty six feet, and on the south, fronting King street, from east to west one Map. hundred and ninety five feet, as per a map thereof hereunto annexed, may appear, the depth of the said ground from King street to Finglass Road aforesaid, running bevill we refer for more certainty thereof, and number of feet in the said map. Roll xix. m. 177 b.

Buildings. 'We find that the buildings on the premises are in a very ruinous condition and yield but an inconsiderable rent, and that the same were mortgaged to the Blue Boys' Hospital. Hospital in the year 1706 for one thousand pounds, sterling, borrowed by Charles Wallis, son of the said Ralph Wallis, which is still due. We find, likewise, that a decree was obtained in his majesty's high court of chancery by the governors of the said Hospital, against the said Wallis, and the premises accordingly sold by a master in chancery for the use of the said Hospital as in the within petition is set forth. We are of opinion the said Hospital will lose most part of the said one thousand pounds should not the city renew the said lease, and, therefore, are further of opinion that the petitioner have a fee farm lease of the premises in trust for the said Hospital, at a peppercorn rent per annum, to commence from Michaelmas next, he surrendering the former lease granted to said Wallis and the governors of the said Hospital, in consideration thereof, releasing to the city one thousand pounds of the debt due to them from the said city, and giving up one bond or obligation cancelled for the like sum, now due by the city to the said a m. 176.

Roll xix. m. 176. Hospital: which we submit to your honours this 25th September, 1724: 1724.

'John Porter.—Gilbert King.—Henry Burrowes.—William Dickson.—George Forbes.—William Empson.—John Macarrell.—Robert Nesbit.—John Read.—William Orr:

'And, therefore, prayed the same to be made an act of assembly:'

Ordered that the committee's report be and is hereby confirmed, and that leases be drawn as Mr. Recorder shall advise, the same to be put under the city seal: allowed.

m. 176 b. [10.] The right honourable Richard Tighe, esquire, setting forth that Richard Tighe, alderman, deceased, in the year 1663, obtained a fee farm lease from this city of a piece of ground in Oxmantowne, near the river Anna Liffey, at the rent of twenty shillings and two fat capons; that the citizens being desirous of having a bowling green for their diversion, and that part of said ground should be sodded in order to make a Bowling Green, and that a terrace walk should be built and both be preserved for ever to the said uses, under a penalty of one hundred pounds yearly, in case the said Green should be converted to any other use, and therefore prayed to have said penalty released; whereupon a committee was appointed who made the following report: Tighe. Oxmantown. Liffey Bowling Green. Sods. Terrace walk. Committee.

'Pursuant to your honours' order of the last assembly to us directed, we, the committee appointed to consider the contents of the annexed petition of Mr. Tighe, have examined the same, and find that the city, in the year 1663, perfected a fee farm lease to alderman Richard Tighe, the petitioner's grandfather, of a waste piece of ground near Oxmantown, now called the Bowling Green, at the annual rent of twenty shillings and capons yearly; that then, in order to accommodate the city with a Bowling Green, it was covenanted that part of the said ground should be sodded with green sods for the use aforesaid, and that a terrace walk should be built for Report. Tighe.

1724. walking on, and the said walk and Bowling Green should be for the future preserved for the aforesaid uses under a penalty of one hundred pounds per annum should the same be converted to any other use: Roll xix. m. 176 b.

'We find the said alderman Tighe was at a considerable expence in making and finishing the said Bowling Green, and do believe that the same is not of any considerable advantage to the petitioner by reason of the other Bowling Greens which seem to be mostly resorted to for that use. Forasmuch therefore as the improving the said Bowling Green can be of no disadvantage or prejudice to the city, but rather an ornament, and in consideration of the expence that attended the making the said Green, and the inconsiderable benefit the petitioner hath of late received thereby, we are of opinion that the said petitioner, his heirs and assigns, be for the future released of the said covenant or penalty of one hundred pounds per annum, by giving him a new lease of the premises, surrendering the old one, and that he be at liberty to build and improve the said premises on the conditions following, videlicet: That the petitioner at his expence procure from Mr. Hendrick two hundred feet of ground in breadth adjoining the ground lately taken in near Bloody Bridge by said Hendrick, to be left open for a watering place in lieu of the fifteen feet intended for the same use near Queen street end mentioned in the city lease to Mr. Ellis; that the now Gravel walk from Queen street to the Banqueting house in Barrack street be left open for a street and which is to be fifty feet wide, and forasmuch as John Stenhouse demised to Charles Mathew the city stables and ground adjoining for a term of years which will determine in the year 1747, the interest of which lease was assigned by the said Matthew to the city at the annual rent of fifteen pounds for the aforesaid term, being within a year of the time that the petitioner hath set the same for, and in regard the said ground and stables

Bowling Greens.

Hendrick.

Bloody Bridge.

Queen street.

Ellis.'

Banqueting house.

Lease.

Rent.

Roll xix. m. 176 b. lie contiguous for the service of the city, we are of opinion 1724. that the petitioner perfect to the city a fee farm lease of the said ground and stables at a pepper corn rent per annum, and that the petitioner do for the future pay the said annual rent of fifteen pounds, which the city is at present obliged to pay for the said ground and stables, which we submit to your honours, this 18th September, 1724:

'John Porter.—Gilbert King.—Henry Burrowes.—William Dickson.—John Stoyte.—Thomas Curtis.—William Empson.—John Macarell.—Thomas Wilkinson.—Joseph Nuttall.—David Latouche.—Peter Verdoen. Robert Nesbitt.'

m. 175. Upon which report he prayed the same might be made an act of assembly: ordered that the committee's report be confirmed, and that the leases be drawn as Mr. Recorder shall advise, the same to be put under the city seal, and that Mr. Tighe do release and discharge the city Tighe. from the covenant in his lease entered into by the said city, that neither they nor their assignees should build between the Bowling Green and the river: allowed.

[11.] George Allen, setting forth that he had sustained Allen. several damages by reason of the water course running Water-course. through his ground, and carts applying when the Bason Bason. was making; that he had preferred several petitions, setting forth his said damage, which were referred to the committee appointed for the river Dodeer and several Dodeer. reports thereon, and last Midsummer assembly the city was pleased to order him to be paid the sum of sixty pounds in lieu of the damages he had sustained, and that he should make a fee farm lease of the ditch or ground belonging to him, and therefore prayed that the said fee farm be drawn by a post assembly, and that he be paid the said sum of sixty pounds: whereupon it was referred to a committee appointed to consider the within petition: 'We, the committee appointed to consider the within petition, are of opinion that the leases

1724. therein mentioned be perfected with all convenient speed; that in consideration thereof the petitioner be paid sixty pounds formerly reported, and five pounds, sterling, in full of interest for the same to the time the said lease shall be perfected; which we submit to your honours, this 3rd day of August, 1724:

Roll xix. m. 175.

'John Porter.—Henry Burrowes.—Anthony Barkey.—John Macarell.—David King.—William Walker.—Adrian Bulkely.—David Read.—Abraham Butterton.—Francis Grosvenor.—Richard Norton.—John Rieussett.—James Sinklar:'

And therefore prayed the same might be made an act of assembly: ordered that the treasurer do pay the petitioner on the Lord Mayor's warrant five pounds, sterling, pursuant to the within report, the same to be allowed on his accounts: allowed.

[12.] Petition of the churchwardens, overseers of the watch, and parishioners of Saint Bridgett's, Dublin, setting forth that the watch-house of the said parish is too small for their watchmen, and therefore prayed they might take in as much ground as would make the same commodious, which petition was referred to a committee, who made the following report: 'We, the committee to whom the contents of the within petition were referred, have viewed the ground whereon the said watch house in the petition mentioned stands, and find the same to be too small for the number of watchmen belonging thereto, it being fourteen feet and a-half from east to west, and twelve feet and a-half from north to south. We are therefore of opinion that the said watch house be enlarged six feet and a-half from east to west, which enlargement we apprehend will be of no inconvenience to the public; which we submit to your honours, this 18th August, 1724:

Parish of St. Bridget.

m. 175 b.

'John Porter.—Henry Burrowes.—William Dickson.—John Reyson.—Richard Walsh.—Robert Owen.'

Which report they prayed might be made an act of

Roll xix. m. 175 b. assembly: ordered that the committee's report be confirmed: allowed. 1724.

[13.] Jeremiah Pepyat, city stationer, setting forth that it will be necessary that a committee be appointed to examine his accounts, whereupon a committee was appointed and made the following report: 'We, the above committee, have examined the petitioner's account, which is hereto annexed, and amounts to £105 2s. 8d., so that the balance is £101 13s. 6d., sterling, which balance, we are of opinion, the petitioner be paid by the city in full discharge of the said account, which we submit to your honours, the 24th day of September, 1724: J. Porter.—Henry Burrowes.—Thomas Bolton.—Robert Nesbitt.—George Forbes.—Richard Hinde: and prayed the said report might be made an act of assembly:' ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, do pay to Mr. Robert Fortune, for his Lordship's use, the within sum of one hundred and one pounds, thirteen shillings and six pence, the same being done by consent of the petitioner, as by the within receipt may appear, which sum is in full of the within account, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts: allowed. Pepyat. Report.

[14.] James Nelson, assistant to the masters of the city works, setting forth that the greatest part of his time was wholly taken up in overseeing the public works of the city, and therefore prayed to be considered for his said service: ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner the sum of fifty pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed on his accounts: allowed. Nelson.

[15.] Thomas Roe, setting forth that he is an ancient freeman of this city, and therefore prayed to be considered: ordered that the treasurer do pay the petitioner the sum of six pounds, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the same to be allowed on his accounts: allowed. Roe.

m. 174. [16.] Ralph Witherington, joyner, setting forth that he hath been much reduced by fire, and therefore prayed Witherington. Fire.

1724. Grant. the city's favour: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, do pay the petitioner the sum of ten pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts: allowed. Roll xix. m. 174.

Wright. Corporation of barbers. [17.] John Wright, setting forth that he served master of the corporation of barbers, but by his misfortunes is reduced to great want, and therefore prayed to be relieved: ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay to the petitioner the sum of six pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed on his accounts: allowed.

Young. Trinity Guild. [18.] Mary Young, widow of Benjamin Young, merchant, setting forth that her said husband served twice a member of Trinity Guild, and by several losses and accidents was reduced to a very low condition, whereupon the following order was made: ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner twenty pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts: allowed.

Assembly. [19.] Certain of the commons praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: ordered that the assembly be enlarged till nine o'clock: allowed.

Hendrick. [20.] Petition of John Hendrick, praying to be admitted city attorney: granted during the city's pleasure: allowed.

Ballast Office. [21.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly the 16th October, 1724:

Report. Frames. 'According to your honours' order of last Midsummer assembly, we have made and set down eleven frames, which extend in length fifteen perches twenty feet; the said eleven frames, together with the twelve frames mentioned in our last report, being in all twenty three frames set down this season, extend in length thirty three perches eastward, and as the season of the year is now far advanced, the days become short and the bad weather approaching, we, your committee, are of opinion that the

Roll xix. m. 174. making more frames be deferred till the season of the year will permit, but that we immediately proceed in securing the frames already laid down by planking, filling and backing:' ordered to proceed as the season will permit: allowed. 1724.

'We reported to your honours last assembly, that agreement made with Mr. Gibton for one hundred tuns of oak timber; we have already received twenty five tuns thereof, and do expect the remainder will speedily be delivered:' ordered to proceed: allowed. Oak.

m. 174 b. 'Pursuant to your honours' orders, we have graved some of the floats and gabbards and shall continue repairing them as we shall find absolutely necessary:' ordered to proceed: allowed. Graving.

'We have lately agreed with Messieurs William Lovely and John Murry (who are persons of such credit that the Office may depend on) to furnish the Office for one year with good large building stones at ten pence farthing per tun:' ordered to proceed: allowed. Stones.

'We have bought from Messieurs Montgomery and White 161 pieces of Welsh oak, containing 28 tuns 35 feet, at 31s. per tun, also 20 pieces of oak timber, containing 4 tuns 13 feet, at 50s. per tun, also 188 pieces of Norway oak timber, containing 32 tuns and a half, at 48s. per tun, also 28 pieces of long timber for plates for the frames, containing 6 tuns 23 feet, the whole amounting to £146 4s., which is not yet paid for. Oak.

'We have bought from Mr. Blechenden 335 pieces of old planks for the frames, containing 3017 feet, at one penny half-penny per foot, amounting to £18 17s. 1½d., which is paid for. Frames.

'We have bought and received from Mr. Anthony Vareilles sundry parcels of planks and timber, with pitch and tar, for the use of the gabbards, floats and frames amounting to £43 4s. 8d., which is paid for. Timber.

'There is at present remaining in our yard at Ringsend 658 pieces of timber, as per the annexed account.

1724. 'An abstract of the cash in the Office is hereunto annexed : Roll xix. m. 174 b.

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours.

'Thomas Wilkinson. — Thomas Curtis. — Nathaniel Whittwell.—James Somervell.—Robert Nesbitt.—David Latouche.— John Vareilles. — Thomas Corker.— John Taylor.'

Ordered : That Mr. Casper White be added to the committee of directors for the Ballast Office instead of Mr. Stern Tighe, who has desired to be excused from any further attendance on the said committee : allowed.

An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 17th of July, 1724, inclusive, to the 16th of October, 1724, exclusive.

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
To balance given in to last assembly	210	9	8	By sundry disbursements on the Office accounts from the 18th of July, 1724, to the 16th of October, 1724, exclusive	852	11	2½
To cash received since of ships, etc., from the 17th of July, 1724, inclusive, to the 16th of October, 1724, inclusive ...	770	17	6½	By balance in the Office ..	128	16	0
	£981	7	2½		£981	7	2½

N.B.—The Office owes more debts than the above balance will answer.

Franchise. Admission to franchise. m. 178.

1724. October 26. m. 173.

Lord Lieutenant. Franchise. Lord Carteret. Gold box. [1.] Petition of certain of the commons, setting forth that it hath been customary to present the lord lieutenant of this kingdom with his freedom in a gold box, and therefore prayed that his excellency, the lord Carteret, be presented with his freedom in a gold box : ordered that his excellencie the lord Carteret be presented with the freedom of the city in a gold box, the expence thereof not to exceed thirty pounds : allowed.

[2.] Petition of certain of the commons, setting forth that it hath been usual to present the lord lieutenant's

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principal secretary of state with his freedom in a silver box, and therefore prayed that Thomas Clutterbuck, esquire, principal secretary of state to his excellencie the lord Carteret, be presented with the freedom of this city in a silver box: ordered that the right honourable Thomas Clutterbuck, esquire, be presented with the freedom of this city in a silver box, the expense thereof not to exceed five pounds: allowed. 1724. Clutterbuck.

m. 182.

1724-5. January 22.—Fourth Friday after 25 December, 1724. 1724-5.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee for settling the city accounts had made their report of the 8th of December last, which is as followeth: City Accounts. Committee.

'We, the within committee, have made further inquiry and progress in the matter to us referred, and ordered the city surveyor to make a map or survey of the several tenements in Thomas' street belonging to the city, with the dimensions of each tenement, as may more particularly appear by the annexed map; we have given proper directions to Mr. Kirkwood and the several collectors of the city customs to act pursuant to our former report, and in order thereto gave them several copies of what related to them in the report. That Mr. Bloxham is for the future to enter into the collector's book the quantity of beare he receives from time to time from the said collectors to enable the auditor to make a charge on him. We have desired alderman Page to lay before us an account of what arrears of rent are due from the several tenants to the city, in order that the same may be sued for by the city agent. Alderman Page has returned us lists of the several tenements and tenants' names in Newhall Market and Thomas' street, as also the rent that each tenant pays, both which lists we have ordered to be added to the rent roll under their proper heads, and which is accordingly done: which Report. Thomas'-street. Map. City Customs. Newhall Market.

1724-5. we submit to your honours, this 8th day of December, 1724:' Roll xix. m. 182.

And the said commons praying that a proper order might be made thereon: granted: confirm the committee's report, and committee to be continued.

Auditors. [2.] Auditors of the city accounts for the last year and according to the committee's report of 22nd June, 1723:

Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, sir John Eccles, aldermen Stoyte, Bolton, Barkey, Quayle, Forbes, sir Nathaniel Whitwell, Verdoen, Hunt, and eighteen of the commons to be named by the commons, or any nine of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs to be always two:

Commons. [The eighteen of the commons]: Nathaniel Kane, Major Aldrich, James Somervell, Joseph Nuttall, David Chaigneau, Daniel Falkiner, William Aston, Philip Pearson, William Ryves, John Rieussett, William Phillips, William Philpot, Francis O'Hara, William Ord, Joseph Sidebottom, Tobias Lewis, Robert Jackson, Christopher Inch.

Masters of works. [3.] Mr. Gilbert King and alderman Henry Burrowes, late Sheriffs, are elected masters of the city works, for the next ensuing year. m. 182 b.

Tighe. [4.] The right honourable Richard Tighe, esquire, praying that leases should be perfected to him of ground Oxmantown Green. near Oxmantown Green, according to the late report and Order, whereupon it is ordered that the leases be perfected forthwith, pursuant to the Order of last assembly.

Barkey. Purchase Blind Quay. [5.] Alderman Anthony Barkey, setting forth by his petition to last asssembly that he bought by public cant from the city a concern on the Blind Quay, mentioned in an advertisement for that purpose, to be 59 feet and a half in front to the Quay, in depth from front to rere 43 feet, and fronting the river 52 feet; that he purchased the same at £40 15s. rent per annum; that at Midsummer assembly, 1723, he purchased of the said rent of £40 at

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twenty years' purchase, which amounted to £800, and 1724-5. the annual rent of fifteen shillings was only reserved to the city; that accordingly, by order of said assembly, leases were perfected and a map affixed to each part, describing the number of feet as is above set forth, and he, believing the said maps to be exactly drawn, did Maps. thereby demise the said premises to a tenant who, making a second survey, finds that the front of the said ground to the river Liffy is only fifty feet and a half, as by the annexed certificate of the city surveyor hereto annexed may more at large appear, by which last survey he wants one foot and a half of ground in such manner as he purchased the same from the city; that according to the purchase he paid for the whole the said foot and a half, at twenty years' purchase comes to £23 10s. 2d., and the interest thereof to this time comes to £1 15s., both which sums amounting to £25 5s. 2d., which he is obliged to make good to his tenant, and therefore prays that he be paid by the city the said sum of £25 5s. 2d., in lieu of the aforesaid deficiency; which petition was referred to a committee, who made the following report: Committee.

'We, the above committee, have this day viewed and Report. surveyed the premises in the within petition mentioned, and find on a strict inquiry that the petitioner's allegations therein set forth are true, and in regard the purchase of the said foot and a half of ground with the interest thereof, amount to £25 5s. 2d., we are of opinion the petitioner be paid the said sum of £25 5s. 2d. by the city in lieu and in full consideration of the deficiency of the said foot and a half of ground; which we submit to your honours, this 27th day of November, 1724.'

And the said alderman Anthony Barkey, praying this assembly to confirm the said report: it is thereupon ordered that the committee's report be confirmed, and Order. that the treasurer do pay the petitioner the £25 5s. 2d. mentioned in the said report.

[6.] Thomas Gonne, gentleman, setting forth by his Thomas Gonne. petition that he is a freeman of this honourable city,

1724-5. Peppard, Town Clerk. and served his time as clerk to Jacob Peppard, esquire, Town Clerk of the same, in the Tholsel Office, and continued many years since as clerk in the said office; that the said Jacob Peppard, being advised to retire to the country for his health, is willing to quit his said employ of Town Clerk and that of city agent to the petitioner on the city's accepting and approving of him in his stead, and therefore prays to be admitted into the said employs during the city's pleasure, on the same conditions as the said Jacob Peppard enjoys the same: whereupon it is ordered that the office of Town Clerk or Clerk of the Tholsel and the employ of city agent be made and are hereby granted to Thomas Gonne, gentleman, with the usual salaries, fees, profits and perquisites thereunto belonging, during the pleasure of the city, he paying to the city the annual rent of one hundred pounds for the said office of Town Clerk, and entering into such bonds, covenants and agreements for payment thereof, and for performance of the said offices, to save the city harmless, with such other clauses and covenants as Mr. Recorder shall advise.

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City Agent.

Employments.

Grant.

Fees. Perquisites.

[7.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee appointed to stake out ground for a chapel and yard for the use of the barracks, between the Artillery yard and the said barracks in Oxmantown Green, had made their report of the 18th of January instant, which is as followeth:

Chapel.

Oxmantown. Committee.

Report.

'We, the committee, appointed to survey and set out the within premises for a chapel and yard for the use of the barracks, viewed and surveyed the same, and find that a piece or parcel of Oxmantown Green, situate on the south side thereof, will be most convenient for the aforesaid use, the same containing in breadth, at the east end thereof joining the passage which is to be le[f]t forty feet wide between the said ground and the wall of the Artillery yard leading from the said Green towards Barrack street, 165 feet; in length on the south side thereof joining Mr. Ryan's holding from the said passage

Survey.

Artillery yard.

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to be left 40 feet wide, in the east to the Barrack wall in the west, 227 feet; in breadth at the west end joining the said Barrack wall, 165 feet, and in length in the north side thereof joining part of Oxmantown Green aforesaid, from the said passage in the east to the said Barrack wall in the west, 232 feet, as by a map thereof made by the city surveyor and hereto annexed may more at large appear: dated this 18th day of January, 1724.' 1724-5. Map.

And the said commons, praying that a fee farm lease thereof be perfected under the city seal for the use of his majesty, to such person as his excellencie the lord lieutenant shall name and appoint, at three shillings and four pence per annum rent: whereupon it is ordered that leases be perfected to Thomas Burgh and Luke Gardiner, esquires, of the within premises, set out for a chapel and yard in trust for his majestie, at the yearly rent of three shillings and four pence, and that there be no door or passage from the said chapel or yard into Oxmantown Green; with such other clauses as Mr. Recorder shall advise. Trustees. Burgh. Gardiner. Rent.

[8.] Alderman Nathaniel Pearson, setting forth to last assembly that on the 28th day of June, 1723, his father, alderman Mathew Pearson, deceased, bought by public cant from the city a concern on the back part of the Blind Quay, subject to the yearly rent of twenty pounds; that his said father paid to alderman Page ten pounds at the time of the said purchase, and then agreed to fine of two-thirds of the said yearly rent, being £13 6s. 8d. per annum, which, at twenty years' purchase, amounts to £266 13s. 4d., which sum his said father had ready to pay at the time of said purchase, and has lain by useless ever since, in regard the city could not give him possession of the said concern so purchased, and therefore prayed that an order might be made thereon for his relief, which petition was referred to a committee, who made the following report: Pearson. Purchase. Blind Quay. Committee.

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'We, the committee appointed to examine the con- Report.

1724-5. tents of the annexed memorial, have taken the same into our consideration, and find that the memorialist's father, alderman Pearson, at the time in the said memorial mentioned, purchased a concern from the city on the back of the Blind Quay, and paid thereon ten pounds, for the use of the city; that, by reason of some dispute in the title, he did not receive possession of the same; we find that the memorialist's said father had by him for a considerable time the remaining part of the purchase money, being upwards of two hundred pounds, which was a considerable disadvantage to him, and in regard the memorialist is not willing to take any advantage of the city's not giving him possession, we are of opinion that the petitioner be paid the ten pounds formerly paid by his father, and also the sum of ten pounds more, in full consideration of the purchase money lying so long useless in his said father's hands, both which sums, amounting to twenty pounds, the memorialist is willing to accept of, which we think reasonable, and which we submit to your honours, this 9th day of November, 1724:'

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Blind Quay.

Title.

And the said alderman Nathaniel Pearson praying this assembly to confirm the said report: it was, thereupon, ordered that the committee's report be confirmed, and that the treasurer do pay the memorialist the sum of twenty pounds, mentioned in the said report.

Wybrants. Blue Coat Hospital.

[9.] Bartholomew Wybrants, agent for the Blue Coat Hospital, setting forth that by an act of last assembly it was ordered that leases should be perfected to him of ground near the upper end of Church street, in trust for the said Blue Coat Hospital, which leases have not as yet been perfected, and therefore prayed that the said leases might be perfected to him: whereupon it is ordered that leases be perfected forthwith, pursuant to the order of last assembly.

Established Church.

[10.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that it would be for the encouragement of the Established

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Church, as well as for the grandeur of this city, that some discreet clergyman should be appointed to officiate Divine service in the city Marshalsea for the benefit of the prisoners there; that the reverend Mr. James King has for some months past constantly attended the prisoners in the said Marshalsea, and therefore prayed that the said Mr. James King be appointed to perform the service aforesaid, at such salary as should be thought fit: whereupon it is ordered that the reverend Mr. James King be appointed to officiate Divine service in the city Marshalsea for the benefit of the prisoners there, at the yearly salary of twenty pounds, to commence from Michaelmas last, the same to be paid half-yearly and to continue till he is farther provided for by the city, and that he be obliged to preach in the said Marshalsea every Sunday and constantly attend the sick prisoners there, when required. 1724-5. Marshalsea. King. Prisoners. Divine Service. Salary.

m. 180.

[11.] The city music, praying to have their salaries augmented: ordered that the petitioners be paid four pounds per annum each man instead of forty shillings, during the city's pleasure. City Music. Salaries.

[12.] Marshal Jessop, gentleman, praying to be admitted one of the attornies of the Tholsel Court: granted during the city's pleasure. Tholsel court.

[13.] William Justus, one of the officers at mace, praying to have the order of suspension imposed on him taken off, a committee having made a report in his favour: ordered that the suspension be taken off, pursuant to the said report. Officer at mace.

[14.] William Whally, an ancient and decayed freeman and citizen, praying an annual allowance: ordered that the treasurer do pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, four pounds per annum by quarterly payments, to commence from Christmas last, and twenty shillings in hand, the same to be allowed on his accounts. Whally. Allowance.

[15.] Rose McDonnell, widow of Hugh McDonnell, tailor, praying an annual allowance: ordered that the McDonnell. Allowance.

1724-5. treasurer do pay the petitioner four pounds per annum, videlicet, twenty shillings a quarter, to commence from Christmas last. Roll xix. m. 180.

Dongan. Payment. [16.] James Dongan, tailor, praying an annual allowance: ordered that the treasurer do pay the petitioner four pounds per annum, videlicet, twenty shillings a quarter, to commence at Christmas last.

Assembly. [17.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: ordered that the assembly be enlarged till nine o'clock.

[18.] The report of the committee of Directors for Ballast Office. the Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 22nd January, 1724[-5]:

Report. 'In our report of the last assembly we gave your Frames. honours an account of twenty-three frames which we set down last season, which frames have weathered all the Storms. storms that have happened since, and do stand well without losing one pile or any of their being undermined, and doubt not but they will answer the ends they are designed for. We reported to your honours at last assembly that we had received twenty-five tuns of Timber. timber from Mr. Gibton in part of 100 tuns formerly agreed for. Since then we have received 17 tuns 37 feet more on the said account, and as we are informed the remainder is now shipped on the other side, it may be reasonably expected in as soon as the wind presents; the whole, when received, will amount to the sum of £240, of which not one penny is yet paid: ordered to be paid as money comes in: allowed.

'We likewise acquainted your honours that we are graving and repairing the eleven gabbards and two floats which is now accomplished, and the charges whereof amount to the sum of £261 6s., good part of which is yet unpaid:' Ordered to be paid as money comes in: allowed.

'There is a good quantity of timber in the Ballast Office yard in order for making more frames, but not sufficient even (with the timber which Mr. Gibton is to deliver) to

Roll xix. m. 180. carry on the necessary work of the Office when the season will permit: ordered to proceed and to buy more timber as money comes in: allowed. 1724-5.

'We are now necessitated to inform your honours that the income of the Ballast Office has been so small of late, and the extraordinary expences in repairing the gabbards and floats, etc., being so very considerable, that the Office is not now in a condition to pay the debts, and consequently will be uncapable to carry on the necessary work on the South Bull unless your honours will please to give directions that the remaining balance due to the Office m. 180 b. on account of the North Wall expences be immediately paid in:' ordered that the said balance be paid by the treasurer of the city, and that the same be allowed on account: allowed. Income. South Bull. North Wall.

'An abstract of the cash in the Office is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours.

'Thomas Wilkinson. — Thomas Curtis. — Nathaniel Whittwell.—James Somervell.—Robert Nesbitt.—John Vareilles. — David Latouche. — Richard Blair. — John Taylor.'

An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 16th of October, 1724, inclusive, to the 22nd of January, 1724[-5], exclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per Contra, Cr.	£	s.	d.
To balance given to the last assembly	128	16	0	By sundry disbursements on the Office account, from the 17th October, 1724, inclusive, to the 22nd of January, 1724, exclusive	623	7	6½
To cash received since of ships, etc., from the 16th of October, 1724, inclusive, to the 22nd of January, 1724[-5], exclusive	602	8	8	By cash paid on account of the North Wall	163	19	7
To cash received from the city on account of the North Wall ...	200	0	0	By balance in the Office ...	143	17	6½
	£931	4	8		£931	4	8

Note:—The Office owes more debts than the above balance will answer.

m. 183. Admissions to franchise: Franchise.

m. 179. 1724-5. February 5.

Certain of the commons, setting forth to last Christ-

1724-5. Corn Market House. mas assembly that great and frequent inconveniencies arise in this city for the want of a Market House to contain the corn that is daily brought into the same, and not only the public but the city are sufferers thereby; that Thomas street, where the Corn Market is at present kept, may be a proper place to build the said Market House in, and therefore prayed that a committee be appointed to view Thomas street or some other convenient place for the use aforesaid, which will much tend to the benefit of the public and grandeur of the city: which petition was referred to a committee, who made the following report: Roll xix. m. 179.

'We, the committee appointed to examine the contents of the within petition and to stake out ground for a Corn Thomas street. Market House in Thomas street, have considered and ordered the same to be staked out accordingly, which is to be in length one hundred eighty six feet from out to out, and in breadth twenty eight feet and a half from out to out. We are of opinion that the same be built in the middle of New Row. Thomas street aforesaid, beginning at the end of New Row, according to the annexed plan; that the first storey be in height in the clear fourteen feet, and the second Estimate. twelve feet. We have also ordered an estimate of the whole charge thereof to be made and drawn by Mr. Nelson. Nelson, which is hereto annexed, and which amounts to £1,811 11s.; but we observe that if the said building be Stone. made with rough stone the expence will be about one hundred and fifty pounds less than the said estimate:

'We apprehend that the said Market House is very much wanting, and which, when finished, will much tend Recommendation. to the advantage of the public, and therefore recommend the same to be carried on with all convenient speed: which we submit to your honours this 5th day of February, 1724-[5].'

And the said commons, setting forth that the said committee had made the foregoing report, and prayed the Confirmation. same to be confirmed: it was thereupon ordered that the committee's report be and is hereby confirmed; that Ornamental stone. the two ends of the Market House be made ornamental,

Roll xix. m. 179. and the two sides with ornamental stone, and that the committee be continued to see the work carried on with all convenient speed, and the receiver general of the city revenues do from time to time pay such sums of money for the aforesaid use as the said committee shall direct and appoint. 1724-5.

m. 186. 1725. April 9.—Second Friday after Easter.[1] 1725.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that last assembly auditors of the city accounts were appointed for the last year according to the committee's report of the 22nd of June last, by which the receiver general was to account some time within ten days after the last 25th of March; that alderman Page being much indisposed for some time past, the city accounts could not be audited pursuant to the said order, and therefore prayed that the auditors appointed last assembly be appointed and continued a committee to examine the said accounts when alderman Page shall be able to give in the same: granted: the above committee, appointed last assembly, continued as auditors of the city accounts, pursuant to the report of the 22nd of June last, and that the said accounts be passed when alderman Page is able to attend the same, some time before the next assembly. Auditors of City accounts.

[2.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that last Christmas assembly there were wanting several repairs in and about the Tholsell, particularly the cupola thereof, and prayed that the same be inspected into, which petition was referred to a committee, who made the following report: Repairs. Tholsel. Cupola.

'Pursuant thereto we, the committee, viewed the cupola of the Tholsel, and find the frame work thereof to be sound and good; that the rails and banisters are rotten and ought to be repaired; that the windows want repairing; that the rest is very ill slated and to be slated anew; that the ceiling in the treasury be repaired, and such presses and drawers as are wanting therein, and the Tholsel office to contain the city records Report. Frame. Rails. Windows. Treasury. City Records.

[1] Easter day, 28 March, 1725.

1725. be provided, and the 'change court, etc. be white washed and painted as usual, the same being much wanting; that the rails of the Tholsel be raised two feet and a half higher than they are at present; and that new spikes be provided longer than the present, and that the cellars be repaired and paved; all which we think ought to be done with all convenient speed: which we submit to your honours this 15th day of February, 1724;

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'John Reyson.—George Curtis—Thomas Wilkinson·—George Forbes.—David King.—William Aston.'

[3.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee appointed to treat further with Mr. Donovan for a lease of the Butter Market, near Newgate, had made their report of the 8th of April, 1725, instant, as followeth:

Butter-Market. Newgate.

Report. 'We, the committee, have treated further with Mr. Donovan's agent, and, on behalf of Mr. Donovan, he has proposed to perfect to the city a fee farm lease of the within premises at eighty four pounds, sterling, per annum, and to commence from the 25th of March last, the city paying Donovan ninety pounds, sterling, in full for all arrears due to him from the city, which we think proper the city should comply with rather than dispute the same at law any longer: which we submit to your honours, this 8th day of April, 1725:

'John Reyson.—George Curtis.—Thomas Wilkinson.—William Empson.—Henry Burrowes.—Nathaniel Kane:'

And the commons praying that the said report be confirmed, and that a fee-farm lease be perfected by Mr. Donovan on the conditions in the said report mentioned, Mr. Donovan having agreed thereto, as by his consent annexed to the said report may appear: whereon the following order was made: granted: the committee's report confirmed; that Mr. Donovan do lay his title to the premises before Mr. Recorder, and that leases be perfected pursuant to the said report and annexed consent, with such clauses and covenants as Mr. Recorder shall advise.

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Lease.

Title.

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[4.] Bartholomew Wybrants, agent for the Blue coat Hospital, setting forth that by act of last assembly it was ordered that leases should be perfected to him of ground near the upper end of Church street, in trust for the said Blue coat Hospital, which are not as yet done; that Mr. Recorder is of opinion that leases should not be perfected to the petitioner, but to some other in trust for the said Hospital, and therefore prayed that leases be perfected to such person as the Governors of the said Hospital shall appoint: ordered that leases be perfected to such person as the Governors of the Blue coat Hospital shall appoint, with such clauses and covenants as Mr. Recorder shall advise, the same to be sealed next assembly. 1725. Wybrants. Blue Coat Hospital. Leases.

[5.] Certain of the committee appointed for the rebuilding the chapel of the Blue coat Hospital, setting forth that there is remaining a quantity of Portland stone which was more than was used in the structure for his majesty's statue, lying now in the Artillery yard, and therefore pray that part thereof as much as will be useful may be given for the building a door case for the said chapel: whereupon it was granted and allowed. Chapel of Blue Coat Hospital.

[6.] Ann Godley, widow of alderman John Godley, deceased, setting forth that she hath been tenant to the city for several years for the lofts over the Weigh house in Winetavern street; that for three years past she hath left off all manner of trade, and the said lofts have been entirely useless and an expense to her in keeping the same in repair, and in regard she has not troubled the city on any occasion, prayed they would accept of a surrender of the said lofts, she being willing to discharge all arrears of rent due on the same: whereupon it is granted according to the prayer of the petition. Godley. Weigh-house. Wine-tavern street. Surrender.

[7, 8.] Edmund Dempsey and Thomas Ward, gentlemen, praying to be admitted attornies of the Tholsell court: granted, during the city's pleasure. Attornies. Tholsel.

[9.] James King, clerk, setting forth that by the death of the reverend Mr. James Cathcart, the place or King. Cathcart.

1725. City Chaplain. employ of city chaplain is become vacant; that he is the son of a freeman and citizen of this city, and humbly presumes himself qualified for the said employ, and therefore prays to be admitted city chaplain during pleasure, at such salary and under such restrictions as shall be thought proper: whereupon the following order was made: granted during the city's pleasure, at the yearly salary of thirty pounds. Roll xix. m. 186 b.

City leases. [10.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee for entering the city leases had made their report of the first of April, 1725, instant, which is as followeth:

Report. 'We, the committee appointed for entering the city leases, and comparing the counter parts with the several books, met and appointed a sub-committee to complete the said work, who were summoned twice a week constantly, and did not meet but once, at which time they compared a few leases, and in regard there is an absolute necessity for finishing the said examination, we think it proper that the committee be enlarged in order to compare the said books with all convenient speed, that so necessary a work be no longer delayed. We have viewed the treasury, and found the same much out of repair; that several presses and other conveniencies are wanting to contain the records of the city, and we are of opinion that the same be provided, as also a new alphabet for the city leases, and a proper conveniency under the same to contain the several charters belonging to the city, to be secured in like manner as the city leases are to be: which we submit to your honours this first day of April, 1725:

Comparison. Books. Treasury. City Records. Charters. m. 185.

'John Reyson.—George Curtis.—Robert Cheatham.—John Sican.—John Jones.'

And the said commons, likewise setting forth that the said committee had not as yet compared the several counterparts and originals with the entries made thereof, and therefore prayed that the committee be enlarged in order to compare the said books with all convenient speed: whereupon it is ordered that the former com-

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mittee be continued, and that sir Nathaniel Whittwell be added to the same, and that the commons add two commoners; that the said committee do with all convenient speed examine the several leases, and that the former order of last assembly be continued and revived: William Hendrick and William Ryves added by the commons. 1725. Whittwell. Examination of leases.

[11.] George Young, a decayed freeman and citizen, praying some support from the city: ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner six pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed on his accounts. Young. Allowance.

[12.] Ann Thornton, widow of Major Robert Thornton and daughter of captain Thomas Tennant, being reduced to great want, prayed some annual allowance to support her in her old age: ordered that the petitioner be paid by the treasurer six pounds per annum during the city's pleasure by half-yearly payments, the same to commence from the 25th day of March last. Thornton. Tennant. Allowance

[13.] Katherine Brettridge, alias Burnett, widow of Mathew Brettridge, fringe-waver, an ancient freeman and citizen, praying an annual support: ordered that the petitioner be paid four pounds per annum by half yearly payments by the treasurer, during the city's pleasure, and twenty shillings in hand. Brettridge. Fringe-maker.

[14.] Certain of the commons praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: ordered that the assembly be enlarged till nine o'clock. Assembly.

[15.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly, April 9th, 1725: Ballast Office.

'Since our report to your honours of the last assembly, we have received from Mr. Gibton 129 pieces of oak timber containing 23 tun 10 feet, in part of his contract at 48s. per tun, amounting to £55 16s., so that there yet remain undelivered about 33 tuns We have since bought from the said Mr. Gibton one hundred and . . pieces of short timber, containing 16 tuns, 37 feet three quarters, at 40s. per tun, amounting to £33 17s. 9d., and Report Timber.

1725. have paid him in part of the whole £150. According to your honours' directions of last assembly we have begun Roll xix. m. 185 b.

Ringsend. to work in our yard at Ringsend, and have already prepared three frames, which will be carried down as soon as the season permits, in order to prolong the piles

South Bull to the eastward of the South Bull, and shall proceed in making more with all expedition;' ordered to proceed as the season permits: allowed.

'Upon a message from his excellency the lord lieutenant to the right honourable the Lord Mayor, desiring five of our gabbards to assist in weighing the "Aldborough,"

Man-of-war. Polebegg. man-of-war, then sunk in Polebegg: in pursuance to his excellencie's request we immediately ordered them down, with fifteen of our hands, to attend captain Lawrence, commander of the said ship, who effected the work in twelve days' time.

Lighters. 'Whereas several lighters and wherries commonly plying on this river, have for a considerable time past run in arrears to the Office, we have seized and dis-

Fines. trained about forty, and obliged them to pay their fines, and take out numbers, and we shall continue to do the same as the act directs:' ordered to proceed as the act directs: allowed.

'By order of the lord lieutenant and council, my Lord Mayor and the rest of the directors of the Ballast Office

Privy Council. attended a committee of the privy council at the Castle, who directed the proper officers to attend with the Ballast Office books and vouchers, which was accordingly done for two days, in which time they examined several receipts and payments of the Office, and were well satisfied therewith in every particular:

'An abstract of the cash in the Office is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours:

'Thomas Wilkinson.—Thomas Curtis.—John Porter.—Nathaniel Whittwell.—James Somervell.—John Taylor.—David Latouche.—John Vareilles.—Thomas Corker.—Gilbert King.'

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An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 22nd day of January, 1724[-5], inclusive, to the 9th of April, 1725, exclusive: 1725.

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
To balance given in to last assembly	143	17	6½	By sundry disbursements on account of the Office, from the 23rd of January, 1724[-5], inclusive, to the 7th of April, 1725, exclusive	602	18	11½
To cash received since of ships, etc., from the 22nd of January, 1724[-5], inclusive, to the 9th of April, 1725, exclusive ...	530	3	1	By balance in the Office ...	71	1	8
	£674	0	7½		£674	0	7½

N.B.—The Office owes more money than the above balance will answer.

m. 188. Declaration and signatures. Declaration.

m. 189. Admissions to franchise. Franchise.

m. 184. 1725. June 18.

Certain of the commons, setting forth that last assembly an order was made that leases should be perfected with Mr. Donovan of the Butter Market near Newgate, pursuant to the committee's report of the 8th of April last, as Mr. Recorder shall advise; that by reason of Mr. Recorder's being in England the said leases could not be perfected, and Mr. Donovan designing to go speedily to England, desires to have the said lease finished with all convenient speed, and therefore prayed that Mr. Donovan's title be laid before council, and that leases be perfected pursuant to the said report and Mr. Donovan's consent thereto annexed: whereupon it is ordered that Mr. Donovan do lay his title to the premises before councillor Bernard, and that leases be perfected pursuant to the committee's report of the eighth of April last and Mr. Donovan's consent thereto annexed, with such clauses and covenants as council shall advise. Butter Market. Newgate. Donovan.

m. 192. 1725. July 16.—Fourth Friday after June 24.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee for auditing the city accounts had made their report of the 15th July, 1725, instant, which report is as followeth: Committee. City Accounts.

'Upon auditing the accounts of the city, according to Report.

1725. Method of account. the committee's report of the 22nd June, 1724, for settling a new method to account with the receiver general, the same being confirmed by act of assembly, we find that a new rent roll is made and entered of the city revenues under their several proper heads, and that the houses and shops in New Hall Market, under Newgate, and the houses in Thomas Street, are added to said rent roll; that in order to settle the meares and bounds of said houses in Thomas Street, and to prevent disputes with Mrs. Segrave about them, a survey hath been taken of the several tenements there belonging to the city, and a map of each particular tenant's holding in front and rere hath been drawn and lodged in the Tholsell Office. We have accounted with the receiver general for said rents to Michaelmas last, 1724, inclusive, pursuant to said act of assembly. We find that the several collectors of the Customs at the Gates have paid the weekly produce thereof to the receiver general, and that the same hath been entered regularly by said receiver general in a small book given by him to said collectors, videlicet, what each collector hath paid in each week, and what salary he hath paid or allowed to such collector weekly; that the receiver general hath signed all such books to the 20th of March last past, and said collectors lodged them with the Town Clerk; that said collectors appear to have been duly sworn that the sums so paid in were the full of what they received from week to week for custom, and that they employed no person to receive any part of said customs but such as were sworn by the Lord Mayor to be honest in such trust; that we have accounted by said books with the receiver general to the 20th of March last past:

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New Rent roll.

New Hall Market.

Thomas' street.

Tholsel office.

Customs of Gates.

Collectors

Town Clerk.

Petty customs. 'We find that the collector of the Petty customs hath also brought in the weekly produce to the receiver general, and hath in every respect performed the order given to the collectors at the Gates, and we have by his books accounted also with said receiver general to the 20th of March last.

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'We have settled with the receiver general for the Three-penny customs, according to an account given in upon oath by Mr. Norman for a year to Michaelmas last: 1725. Three-penny customs.

'The Town Clerk furnished us with a quarterly account of the freemen admitted, and the fines due to the city from them, and we accounted with the receiver general by said quarterly account to the 24th of March last past: Account of freemen admitted.

'We find that the collectors of the Pipe water have not yet finished their accounts with the committee appointed for that purpose, so that we have not been able to settle said branch for any certain time, but have charged the receiver general with what sums of money he received from said collectors to the 25th June last, and must recommend it to said committee of Pipe water to settle what is due to the city for fines, rent and arrears of rent for the water, to enable this committee or any other appointed by the city on the next accounts to settle said branch as directed by said act of assembly: Pipe water.

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'As to the Toll corn, the receiver general hath accounted for it only to Michaelmas last, and not to the 24th of March last, as ordered by the act of assembly, for the casual revenue, the reason of which hath been that the Lord Mayor's warrants for sums to be paid out of said Toll corn were not brought to said receiver general to enable him to settle to said 24th of March; it is our opinion therefore that the person or persons whose business it is to get such warrants made out by the Lord Mayor take care for the future to have them returned to the receiver general in such time as may enable him to account for said article to the 24th of March, within ten days after said 24th of March, as limited by said act of assembly: Toll corn.

'And whereas it is ordered by said act of assembly that the collector of the Toll corn should take receipts from the receiver general for all sums he paid him for beare sold to the brewers, and such receipts should be lodged with Mr. Kirkwood or his successors, that he Brewers.

1725. the said Kirkwood may account for it with the rest of the Toll corn; we must observe that this order could not be complied with in settling the present accounts, which commence nine months before said act of assembly, which bears date the 17th of July, 1724. But we find that Mr. Bloxham, who sells the beare and gives the notes for the amount of it to the receiver general, hath since said order taken the receiver general's receipt for such note or notes, and lodged them with said Kirkwood, so that on the next year's accounts they may be produced, the better to settle with the receiver general for such corn so sold, and we think it highly proper and for the service of the city revenue that this order for the taking and lodging the receiver general's receipts for the notes given him by the collectors as above mentioned be punctually complied with by all parties concerned therein. Mr. Kirkwood produced an account by way of debit and credit of all the Toll corn sold, and the charge attending said branch, and the whole year's nett produce, to the truth of which account he also swore, and by which we accounted with the receiver general to Michaelmas last:

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Beare.

'We find the receiver general hath given a list of the persons that are in arrear for rent or otherwise indebted to the city to Mr. Gonne, the city agent, who is directed to sue them immediately for the same:

Arrears.

Gonne, City Agent.

'And we are of opinion that if the receiver general do for the future suffer any tenant to go more than one year in arrear without giving notice to the city that such tenant may be sued for the same, in that case the receiver general shall be accountable to the city for what it shall lose more than said year's rent by such tenant:

'We find that the receiver general cannot get Mr. Norman to settle the Three-penny customs with him farther than Michaelmas, by the time appointed for the receiver general to account with the city, so that we are of opinion that said receiver general be for the future obliged to account for such Three-penny customs to

Three-penny customs.

Roll xix. m. 192 b. Michaelmas only, with the city rents, and not to the 24th of March, with the other parts of the casual revenue: 1725. Casual Revenue.

'We observe that the receiver general hath not drawn up the charge or disbursements of the city for which he craves credit under their several proper heads, as directed by the act of assembly, nor was he indeed able to do it by reason the charge of work for several different branches were so intermixt that it was impossible this time exactly to distinguish and separate such charges. Charge. Disbursements.

'We are of opinion, therefore, that an order be given to the masters of the city works and all others employed by the city, that for the future an exact account be taken of the work done in every particular place and for every particular use of the city, and all such bills to be drawn out separate, and the order upon the receiver general for the payment of them to be expressed for work done at such a time, in such a place, and for such particular use of the city; and that the Lord Mayor give no warrant to any to receive their money, and the receiver general pay no order but where the work is so particularly expressed, and the account first sworn to before the Lord Mayor, that said receiver general may be enabled to make up the charges of the city under their several proper heads, by way of Dr. and Cr., in conformity to the act of assembly: Recommendations. Bills. Heads of Account.

m. 191. 'We also represent that the accounts (an abstract of which is hereto annexed) were first examined by a sub-committee, appointed by the whole, and by said sub-committee reported to and approved by the whole committee, which we submit, the 15th July, 1725: Sub-committee.

'J. Reyson.—George Curtis.—John Porter.—William Quayle. — Nathaniel Whittwell. — Daniel Falkiner. — Nathaniel Kane.—William Phillips.—William Aston.—Pieter Verdoen.—William Ryves.—William Philpott.—Joseph Sidebothom —Tobias Lewis.—Christopher Inch. —Percivall Hunt.—Joseph Nuttall.—J. Stoyte.'

1725. [1 i.] Alderman John Page, receiver general of the City revenue: Dr. Roll xix. m. 191.

Account of City revenue.

	£	s.	d.
To arrears of rent on the last account ...	563	15	0
To the produce of the ancient revenue ...	1847	17	9¾
To the same of St. George's rent ...	40	10	0
To the same of All Hallows or All Saints' rent	477	19	6
To the same of St. Mary's Abbey and Thomas Court	237	18	0
To the same of stalls and houses of New Hall Market	222	10	0
To the same for houses in Thomas' street	54	10	0
To the same for tenements under Newgate	16	10	0
To the same for 47 apprentices at 1s. 6d, and 11 of the Guild at 5s. £6 5 6			
To the same for 6 that served masters admitted by the act 6 0 0			
To the same for Thomas Gladow and J. Handcock by grace especial 10 0 0			
To the same for 18 persons admitted by the act ... 18 0 0			
To the same for William Buraldale and George Taylor by the act... ... ... 2 0 0 —	42	5	6
To the same of the Petty customs of the markets from 5th October, 1723, to the 20th March, 1724	304	11	7
To the same of the Toll corn for one year, to Michaelmas, 1724	1539	14	5½
To the same of rents and fines of the Pipe water to 25th June, 1725	1853	0	4
To the same of houses in Little Butter lane	6	10	0
To the same of the Customs of the Gates and avenues for one year and half, to 24th March, 1724	1520	12	1½
To the same of the Three-penny customs, to Michaelmas, 1724	189	5	9
To the same of the herbage of St. Stephen's Green	11	0	0
To the same of the stable manure ...	6	0	0
To the same of a shed at the Bull yard ...	0	12	6
To the same of the mill at Dolphins Barn for one year	13	0	0
To the same of willows at the Bason ...	2	10	0
	£8950	12	6

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1725. Account of City revenue.

	£	s.	d.
By payment of salaries and balance of last account	3382	13	6
By gifts and alms	457	15	0
By debts of the city	1038	18	0
By casual expenses	4062	16	9½
By lands waste	2	18	2
By lands unknown	27	10	0
By lands out of the City's possession ...	37	17	0
By arrears of rent due at Michaelmas, 1724	601	7	6
By George Brooks, esquire, for Lazers Hill	50	0	0
By sir John Totty for Little Butter lane	20	0	0
By contingent charges to the treasurer ...	20	0	0
By poundage of £7,088 16s. 2d. on money paid—at 12d. per pound	354	0	9
Total discharge ...	10055	16	8½
Total charge ...	8950	12	6¾
Due to the accountant, alderman John Page, from the city, to balance, this 15th July, 1725	£1105	4	1¾

m. 191. And the said commons, praying to confirm the said report and make the same an act of assembly: ordered that the said report be and is hereby confirmed, and that the receiver general and all other persons concerned therein do for the future strictly observe the regulations therein mentioned, and that the said committee be continued to see the same put in execution: allowed.

m. 191 b. [2.] Nathaniel Kane, merchant, accounting master of Trinity Guild of merchants, setting forth that he hath laid out two several sums of money belonging to the said Guild, videlicet: To Mr. Gabriel Canasilles for an assignment of two obligations under the city seal, one whereof is for £700 at 6 per cent., dated the 29th of April, 1721, and the other for £200 at the like interest, dated 5th April, 1722. The petitioner desires the city would take £100 more of the money of the said Guild at the like interest, which will complete the sum of £1,000,

Nathaniel Kane. Guild of Merchants. Interest.

1725. he delivering to the city the aforesaid obligations of £900, and therefore prayed an order accordingly: granted according to the petitioner's request. Roll xix m. 191 b.

[3.] Certain of the commons, setting forth to last Easter assembly that notwithstanding the several orders of assembly heretofore made for regulating the better executing the process of the Tholsell court, and for preventing abuses by the several officers at mace on the public, yet frequent irregular proceedings are committed by them, whereby not only the suitors in the said court are delayed and considerable sufferers thereby, but several other inconveniencies arise from thence; and as its only in the power of the city to bring the officers at mace under certain restrictions for the honour of the city and good of the public; and therefore prayed that a committee be appointed to ascertain rules for the better and more exact executing the process of the said court, and also the method of appraising goods in this city and recording the same in the proper office: which petition was referred to a committee, who made the following report:

Tholsel court.
Officers at mace.
Committee.
Report.

'We, the committee appointed to examine the contents of the within petition, have taken the same into our consideration, and find that several abuses have been committed by the officers at mace in the executing of the process of the Tholsell court, and that notwithstanding the act of assembly made at Michaelmas assembly, 1721 (a true copy of which is hereto annexed), the said officers still neglect their duty in arresting debtors and suffering them to go at large without entering bail in the proper office or committing them to the city Marshalsea, and on arrests, when the debtors agree with their creditors, the said officers frequently conceal such arrests, and do not make due returns to the Tholsell office and withdraw the said actions. We are therefore of opinion that if any of the said officers at mace shall act or do contrary to the said act of assembly of 1721, that on due proof made thereof before the Lord Mayor for the time being, such

Act.
Arrests. Debtors.
Marshalsea.

Roll xix. m. 191 b. officer or officers shall be suspended from his or their employ by the said Lord Mayor: which we submit this 12th July, 1725: 1725.

'John Reyson.—George Curtis.—Thomas Wilkinson. Pieter Verdoen.—N. Shaw.—Philip Pearson:'

And the said commons, praying that the said report might be confirmed and made an act of this assembly: it is thereupon ordered that the committee's report be and is hereby confirmed and made an act of assembly.

[4.] William Hendrick, merchant, setting forth that in the year 1723 he sold and delivered to Mr. Nelson for the use of the city twenty-two pieces of alder, containing five tun twenty-two feet, at the same price as the timber cost which alderman Surdeville, in his lifetime, provided, which timber delivered by the petitioner he charges at £4 11s. 6d. per tun, in the whole amounting to £25 7s. 9d., and prays to be paid the same: ordered that the petitioner be paid, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, for the 22 pieces of alder such price as alderman Surdeville charged the city for the like timber, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Hendrick. Alderman Surdeville. m. 190.

[5.] James Ramsey, city surveyor, setting forth that he hath done several services for the city and drawn several maps, as may appear by a list annexed to his said petition, and therefore prayed to be considered for his said services, which petition was referred to a committee, who made the following report: Ramsey, City Surveyor. Committee.

'We, the above committee, have examined the within petition and the petitioner's account hereto annexed, and are of opinion that he be paid in full for his services for the city the sum of twenty pounds, sterling, which we submit to your honours, this 8th day of July, 1725: Report.

'J. Reyson. — George Curtis.— Thomas Pleasant. — William Dickson. — Paul Espinasse. — John Jones. — Nathaniel Kane:'

And the said James Ramsey, praying to confirm the said report: ordered that the petitioner be paid, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, twenty pounds, sterling, as Payment.

1725. reported, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Roll xix. m. 190.

Attorney. Tholsel Court. [6.] John Fleeson, gentleman, praying to be admitted one of the attornies of the Tholsell court: granted during the city's pleasure.

Wrightson. Officer-at-mace. [7.] Mathew Wrightson, setting forth that the employ of one of the officers at mace of this city is become vacant by the death of John Metcalfe, and prayed to be admitted in his stead, he having good security to indemnify the city: granted during the city's pleasure, he giving sufficient security for the executing his employment, and to indemnify the city from all manner of escapes in the said office of one of the officers at mace.

[8.] The reverend Andrew Killinghuson, clerk, and Caspar White, merchant, setting forth that about two years ago they took a lease of lives, renewable for ever, from Mr. Thomas Hoult, of a piece of ground in Polebegg street, in the surburbs of the city of Dublin, containing in front 63 feet, and in depth about 120 feet, being part of a parcel of ground set by this city to Mr. John Mercer and Mrs. Mary Kemyes, widow, daughter of Philip Croft, deceased, for lives renewable for ever, which piece of ground was taken by the petitioners in order to build a church on some convenient part thereof, for the German and Danish Lutheran congregations in this city, and other Protestant strangers resorting hither; that a church is accordingly built on a convenient part of the said ground; that applications having been made to his grace the lord archbishop of Dublin to consecrate the said church, his grace refuses the same by reason of the uncertainty of the tenure the said ground is held by, alleging that the said ground may revert to the city by forfeiture or by neglect in renewing the lease made to the said John Mercer and Mary Kemyes, and by that means the said church, after consecration, may be converted to secular uses; and they therefore pray that for removing the said obstacle, and in order that the said church may be duly consecrated and the said congrega-

Lutheran Congregations.

Kemyes.

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tion may have an opportunity of communicating with their brethren and hearing the word of God in a tongue known to them, which will certainly induce more Protestant strangers to resort hither, and consequently tend to the increase of the trade and commerce of this city; that the city would be pleased to execute some proper deed or writing for granting and securing to the petitioners a fee-farm lease for the use and purposes aforesaid of the said ground so taken by them from the said Hoult, at the rent of three pounds per annum (being the rent they are to pay the said Hoult) in case it shall happen that the said original lease made by the city to Mr. Mercer and Mrs. Kemyes shall at any time hereafter revert back to the city by forfeiture or otherwise: whereupon it is ordered that the annexed draught of deed perused and signed by councillor Bernard, be engrossed, and that the same be put under the city seal without fees. 1725. Protestant strangers. Bernard.

[9.] Certain of the commons praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: ordered that the assembly be enlarged till nine o'clock. Assembly.

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[10.] Walter Bryce, merchant, setting forth that he is an ancient citizen and trader, and by many misfortunes reduced to a very low condition, therefore prays relief: ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner the sum of £6, sterling, the same to be allowed on his accounts. Bryce. Payment.

[11.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly, July 16th, 1725: Ballast Office. Report.

'Pursuant to your honours' orders of the last assembly of the 9th of April, we have gone on with the framing work upon the South Bull, and notwithstanding the storms and bad weather which have been, we have made 17 frames, which are all set down, stand well and have not lost one stick, and we shall proceed, as soon as the 33 tuns of timber arrive from Wales, which is to be delivered to us by Mr. Gibton, as the balance of our agreement with him, and are now shipped and expected by first fair Frames.

1725. Ballast Office. wind, there being at present no long timber in our yard fit to carry on the work:' ordered to proceed as the season admits: allowed. Roll xix. m. 190 b.

'We have bought, since our last report to your honours, from Mr. Daniel Bewley, 20 pieces of oak timber, fit lengths, containing 2 tuns 25 feet and a quarter, at 46s. per tun, which we have paid for, amounting to £6 15s.

'We have also bought from Messieurs Montgomery and White 176 pieces of timber, which contain 25 tuns 28 feet and a half, amounting to £53 11s. 9d., which we have also paid for.

'We are further to report to your honours that at this time all our gabbards and floats are very much out of repair, and as this is the proper season of the year for such work, we conceive it absolutely necessary to set about them immediately:' ordered that they be repaired as the committee shall direct: allowed.

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours;

'Thomas Williamson.—John Porter.—Nathaniel Whittwell.—Thomas Curtis.—James Somervell.—Gilbert King.—John Taylor.—John Vareilles.—Thomas Corker.'

An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 9th of April, 1725, inclusive, to the 16th of July, 1725, exclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cr.	£	s.	d.
To Balance given in to last assembly	71	1	8	By sundry disbursements on the Office accounts, from the 16th of April, 1725, inclusive, to the 16th of July, 1725, exclusive	867	5	1
To cash received since of ships, etc., from the 9th of April, 1725, inclusive, to the 16th of July, 1725, exclusive ...	789	18	5	By Balance in the Office ...	431	11	8½
To cash received from the city in full for building the North Wall	437	16	7½		£1298	16	9½
	£1298	16	8½				

Franchise. Admissions to franchise. m. 194.

Declaration. Declaration and signatures. m. 198.

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1725. August 23. 1725.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the window curtains in the room called the exchequer in the Lord Mayor's house, and other furniture in the said room and in other parts of the said house, are very much out of repair, and therefore pray that a committee be appointed to provide and repair such furniture in the said house as shall be necessary, and that the said committee take an account of the goods therein belonging to the city: ordered that the right honourable the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, treasurer, aldermen Curtis, Verdoen, Pearson, and six of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any five of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs to be always two, be and are appointed a committee to examine the contents of the above petition, and that the said committee order what is proper to be done therein: commons' names: Mathew Kane, Charles Hendrick, Richard Norton, Robert Owen, William Archdale, Erasmus Cope. Lord Mayor's house. Furniture. Committee.

[2.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that it hath been usual for the Lord Chancellor to be presented with the freedom of this city in a gold box, that the right honourable the Lord Chancellor West,[1] hath not as yet received that compliment from this city, and therefore pray that he be presented with his freedom accordingly: ordered that his lordship be presented with the freedom of this city in a gold box, not exceeding £30, as usual. Lord Chancellor. Franchise. Gold box.

[3.] Augustin Thwaites, gentleman, praying to be admitted one of the water bailiffs of this city in the place of Mr. Craven, who hath surrendered the said employ to the city: ordered that the petitioner be and is hereby admitted into the aforesaid office of one of the water bailiffs of this city, during the city's pleasure, giving good security to save the city harmless, and for the faithful execution of the said employ. Thwaites. Water-Bailiff. Craven.

[1] Richard West, lord chancellor, Ireland.

1725. 1725. October 15.—Third Friday after 29 September. Rolls ix. m. 199

Lord Mayor; Joseph Kane; Sheriffs; William Walker and Caspar White.

Kane. Mayoralty. Expense. Allowance. [1.] Robert Fortune, clerk to the right honourable Joseph Kane, esquire, present Lord Mayor, setting forth that his Lordship being elected into the Mayoralty of this city for this present year, will be at great expence to support the dignity of the same, and prays the usual allowance; ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay to the petitioner, for the use of his Lordship, the sum of £500, sterling, one moiety at Christmas next, and the other moiety at midsummer next, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Fortune. Reyson. Payment. [2.] Robert Fortune, clerk to alderman John Reyson, late Lord Mayor of this city, setting forth that the expence attending the station and office of Lord Mayor is greater than formerly, and prays an augmentation for the said alderman Reyson's use: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, do pay the petitioner for the late Lord Mayor's use the sum of £400, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Gonne, Town Clerk. Sheriffs. Payment. [3.] Thomas Gonne, town clerk, setting forth that Ralph Blundell and George Curtis, merchants, late Sheriffs of this city, their time hath been wholly taken up in discharge of the said office, whereby their private affairs have suffered, and that the income arising by the said office is not near sufficient to defray the expence thereof, and prays an allowance for the said late Sheriff's use, such as shall be thought meet: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, do pay the petitioner, for the late Sheriff's use, £200, sterling, videliçet, £100 to each, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Wood's Patent. [4.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that his majesty has been graciously pleased to put an end to the patent formerly granted to William Wood, esquire, for

Roll xix. m. 199. coining copper halfpence and farthings for this nation, 1725. by obtaining a full and effectual surrender of the same, Surrender. which was sent over to this kingdom by the honourable Richard Edgecombe, esquire, whereby we are freed from the fatal effects which must inevitably have followed their circulation, and therefore pray, in order to shew the great sense we have of so remarkable an instance of his majestie's royal favour and goodness, to grant that the said Richard Edgecombe may be presented with the freedom of this city in such manner as shall seem reasonable: ordered that the honourable Richard Edgecombe, Edgecombe. esquire, be presented with the freedom of this city in a gold box, not exceeding £30.

[5.] Peter Malone, setting forth that the committee to Peter Malone. whom the contents of his petition were referred, relating to some damage done him in his ground by the City Bason, had made their report of the 23rd of September last, which is as followeth:

m. 199 b. 'We, the committee to whom the former report and Report. petition were referred, have taken the same into our further consideration, and are of opinion the petitioner be paid £8, sterling, in full for what damages the petitioner sustained in his ground, occasioned by the City Bason; the shore formerly mentioned in our report City Bason. is made, and if the banks adjoining the petitioner's field at any time hereafter shall want to be backed or repaired, whereby the petitioner's ground may be damaged, that such damage be referred to and decided by two persons to be chosen by the city, and two persons to be chosen by the petitioner, which the petitioner consents to, and which is submitted, this 23rd September, 1725:'

And the petitioner praying to confirm the said report and make the same an act of this assembly: ordered that the petitioner be paid, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, £8, Payment. sterling, as reported, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts, and that the committee's report be and is hereby confirmed

1725. [6.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that on the 18th of June last it was ordered that leases should be perfected between the city and Mr. Donnovan of the Butter Market, near Newgate, as councillor Bernard should advise; that councillor Bernard hath perused and approved of a draught of the said lease, pursuant to the committee's former report and act of assembly; but the said leases are not as yet perfected, and therefore pray that leases be perfected according to the former order of assembly: whereupon it is granted and allowed. Roll xix. m. 199 *b*.

Donnovan. Butter Market. Newgate.

[7.] Samuel Morgan, praying to be admitted mace bearer to this honourable city, on the surrender of Samuel Ord, present mace bearer: granted during the city's pleasure, on the surrender of the present mace-bearer, Samuel Ord.

[8.] Jeremiah Pepyat, city stationer, setting forth that the committee appointed last assembly to examine his accounts had made their report of the 27th of September last, which is as followeth:

Pepyat, City Printer.

Report.

'We, the within committee, have examined the petitioner's account, which is hereto annexed, and amounts in the whole to £104 5s. 2d., sterling; we have deducted off the said account 20s., so that the balance is £103 5s. 2d., which balance we are of opinion the petitioner be paid by the city in full of his said account to this day; and we are of opinion that the petitioner for the future, on auditing and settling his accounts, be obliged to produce vouchers to the committee for the several articles to be delivered for the city use: which we submit to your honours, this 27th day of September, 1725.'

And the said Jeremiah Pepyat praying to confirm the said report and make the same an act of assembly: ordered that alderman Peter Verdoen, the petitioner's assignee, be paid on the Lord Mayor's warrant £103 5s. 2d., being the sum reported; the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts; and in regard the petitioner

Verdoen.

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is indebted to the executors of alderman Surdeville in £130, or thereabouts, and that the said executors are indebted to the city in a considerable sum, it is likewise ordered that the petitioner do forthwith enter into an instrument in writing that such money as shall next become due to him, as stationer and printer to this city, for the ensuing year, commencing from Michaelmas last, shall and may be retained by the city and applied towards the discharge of the said debt due to the said alderman Surdeville's executors, and the same to be applied in part discharge of the debt due by the said executors to the city. 1725.

[9.] John Jones and Augustine Thwaites, water bailiffs, praying to be continued in their employments: granted during the city's pleasure. Water-Bailiffs.

[10.] John Hawkins, keeper of Newgate, praying to be continued in his employment: granted during the city's pleasure. Hawkins. Newgate.

[11.] Robert Goodwin, Mathew Wrightson, Greenwood Hanna, John Smith, Francis M'Cann, and William Justus, officers at mace, praying to be continued in their several employments: granted, during the city's pleasure. Officers-at-Mace.

m. 198.

[12.] John Lester, John Reilly, Henry Tucker and Thomas Mozley, Sheriffs' officers, praying to be continued in their several employments: granted during the city's pleasure. Sheriffs' Officers.

[13.] Callaghan M'Carthy, musician, praying to be admitted one of the City's Music in the place of Hugh Reed, deceased: ordered the petitioner be admitted one of the City Music during the city's pleasure. City Musicians.

[14.] Francis Skiddy, setting forth that for fourteen years past he was deputy town clerk of this city, and prays to be considered for the loss of his employment: ordered that the treasurer do pay unto the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, twenty-three pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed him on his accounts. Skiddy, Deputy Town Clerk.

1725. Assembly. [15.] Certain of the commons praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: granted. Roll xix. m. 198.

Fortune. [16.] Robert Fortune, clerk to the commissioners of array, praying consideration for his services in attending

Commissioners of array. the said commissioners as clerk: ordered that the treasurer do pay unto the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the sum of ten pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed him on his accounts.

Wybrants, clerk to commons. [17.] Bartholomew Wybrants, clerk to the commons, praying consideration for his past services: ordered that the treasurer do pay unto the petitioner, on the Lord

Grant. Mayor's warrant, the sum of ten pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed him on his accounts, as a gratuity for his last year's service, and in regard of the petitioner's faithful former services, that he be paid by the treasurer the further sum of five pounds.

Lewis Layfield. [18.] Lewis Layfield, one of the City Music, setting forth that in the year 1723 he disbursed for the use of

City Music. the City Music £37 2s. 7½d., as appears by the annexed bill; that he was reimbursed £30 in part thereof, so that there remains due to him on balance £7 2s. 7½d., which he prays the city may pay him: ordered that the treasurer do pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the sum of £7, sterling, for and in consideration of his extraordinary services, the same to be allowed him on his accounts.

Holding [19.] Francis Holding, a decayed citizen and freeman, praying the city's favour in relieving him in his distress: ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayor's

Grant. warrant, pay the petitioner forty shillings in hand, and four pounds per annum to be paid half yearly, to commence from Michaelmas last, the same to be allowed on his account.

Jones. Eager. [20.] Dorothy Jones, widow of Thomas Jones, gentleman, deceased, daughter of William Eager, merchant, likewise deceased: that by misfortune she is much reduced, and prays an annual support: ordered that the

Roll xix. m. 198. petitioner be paid four pounds per annum, quarterly, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, and forty shillings in hand, the said annuity to commence from Michaelmas last, and the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. 1725. Allowance.

[21.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee appointed for the management of the city pipe water had made their report of the 15th October instant, which is as followeth :— City Pipe water.

'We, the within committee, do humbly represent to your honours that pursuant to your order of the 22nd of January last, we have met twice every week since upon the business of the city pipe water to us referred. We have found very great difficulty to make a proper charge upon each of the collectors in order to settle their several accounts, partly from the unavoidable mistakes in the return made by a former committee appointed to make a return of the whole pipes of the city in the year 1720; partly from the collectors having taken from Mr. Pepyat what receipts they called for without being made accountable for the number of them, and chiefly from the neglect of some of the collectors in not making regular entries of what pipes were laid down and what pipes cut off; and what pipes so laid or cut off since the aforesaid return in 1720. We further represent to your honours that we have employed several of our meetings in settling the arrears of pipe water returned by alderman Page, and arrears that fell due since the aforesaid collectors were employed. Committee. Report. Accounts. Collectors. m. 198 b. Page.

'We must take notice that we were obliged to compound with several persons from whom such arrears were due, and to take a small part for the whole, which great loss was chiefly occasioned by the former committee of pipe water not meeting for near two years together, and there being no power given to the collectors to take anything short of the full arrears returned by alderman Page, and while such arrears were unsettled they could neither receive them nor the accruing rent; and many Arrears. Committee. Rent.

1725. Revenue of water. Report. from whom such money was due left their houses and died out of them, and new tenants thought it very unreasonable indeed, so did your committee, that they should pay what had been due from other tenants several years before, which put us under the necessity of compounding such arrears on the best terms we could. Roll xix. m. 198 b.

'We have also subdivided ourselves into three parts the better to account with each collector. We find Mr. Ormsby. Ormsby hath received since his commencement to the 8th July last, towards alderman Page's arrears and the several years' rent since accruing, as appears by his receipts, the sum of £1,916 8s. 4d., which sum, his poundage and some small deductions he craved being allowed him, he hath paid in at several times to alderman Page, and there appears to be due by his book delivered in this day £350 10s., arrears, besides some returned by alderman Page, and what has Sisson. been compounded by your committee. Mr. Sisson hath received since his commencement to the 8th July last towards alderman Page's arrears and the several years' rent since accruing, as appears by his receipts, the sum of £1,372 18s., of which sum he hath paid into alderman Page £1,193 15s.; he is allowed for his poundage and some small deductions he craved, £88 3s., and there remains a balance of £91 due to the city, as appears by his accounts, stated and signed by him, which he hath not yet paid into the treasurer. As for the arrears that remain due in his district, he hath not yet furnished us with such an account as enables your committee to report Darling. them with any certainty. We find Mr. Darling hath received since his commencement to the 8th July last towards alderman Page's arrears and the several years' rent accruing since, as appears by his receipts, the sum of £2,375 6s. 8d., which sum, his poundage and some small deductions he craves being allowed, he hath paid into alderman Page at several times, and the arrears now standing out in his district are £174 15s. We take

Roll xix. m. 198 b. leave to observe that Mr. Darling hath been very careful 1725. and successful in collecting both alderman Page's arrears Revenue of water. and the rents accruing since his being employed, as Report. appears by the small arrears due in his district to the 1st November last, and that he hath kept an account of the same with great regularity and clearness, and settled the whole to the full satisfaction of your committee. We are sorry we cannot say so much in behalf of the other two collectors, for though we do not think that any designed corruption or dishonesty appears against them, yet we are obliged to take notice that they have not been so brisk collecting alderman Page's arrears, or the rents accruing in their own time, as the other hath been, nor so diligent in endeavouring to discover pipes laid down before or after their being employed, which the city never received any rent for, by which neglect the number of pipes have decreased in their district.

'We must further observe that they have not returned so regular and satisfactory an account of what they have received, as they should have done, nor paid in the money received so soon to the treasurer as was ordered by the committee; and we must own that we apprehend the city hath been at a considerable loss, though, as we observed before, we do not think they knowingly wronged the public or any one else for their own private advantage, and as there is so large an arrear due to the city in the two districts on the south side of the river, and your committee finding that with all the labour they have bestowed they have not been able to get their arrears settled and received to their satisfaction, and also
m. 197. observing how successful Mr. Darling hath been in collecting the rent and arrears on the north side of the water, we cannot but humbly recommend to your honours that said Darling be employed to collect the arrears and accruing rent of water of the two districts on the south side; and if your honours think fit to order it so, we humbly refer to you whether you will think fit to

1725. Revenue of water. Report. confirm said Darling in the collecting on the north side (both which he is willing to undertake), or appoint some other person to collect on said north side in his place. Roll xix. m. 197.

'We humbly represent that we think it very proper to Tickets. Houses. have brass tickets fixed on all houses that take water, the charge of which will not be above £20. We also think proper that the city printer deliver all receipt books to the treasurer, and that he be obliged to give them to the collectors taking their receipts for the number given them, and that the collectors take care that every such receipt be numbered agreeable to the brass tickets on the houses and entered in their receipt book accordingly, and that the collectors date every receipt the exact day of their receiving the money from the persons to whom they give such receipt. We also are of opinion that every one who wants water should apply to the collector of that district and pay him 20s. licence money, and such Town Clerk. collector's receipt be brought to the town clerk, upon which an order shall be issued by him to the city plumber to put on such pipe, and we think no person should presume to put a branch into the main excepting such as are entrusted by the city. We think proper also that such receipts for the 20s. licence money should be entered and kept by the town clerk as a charge on the collectors in settling their accounts, which we also think they should do upon oath. We also humbly propose that the collectors be obliged to give an abstract of their accounts once every three months to the committee and treasurer, and that they never keep above £30 in their hands without paying it into alderman Page. We desire also that the turn-cocks or servants that attend the water may be always obliged to keep exact list of the pipes in their districts, and to produce the same when called for by the committee. We take leave farther to represent the great inconvenience that attends allowing pipes to hucksters' cellars, who in many places supply the whole neighbourhood that buy huckstery ware of them, to the

Roll xix. m. 197. great lessening their revenue of the water; we refer it therefore to your wisdom whether an order be made that no pipe shall be granted to such hucksters, innkeepers, and ale drapers, or by what other method your honours will prevent said evil; we must also observe that several private families who have shores get their pipes so placed as to run into them, and many let their pipes continually run to the great waste of water, which is also a great evil, the remedy whereof and all other matters contained in this report we most humbly submit to your honours, this 15th October, 1725: 1725. Revenue of water. Report. Pipes.

'Joseph Kane.—William Walker.—Caspar White.—George Forbes.—Thomas Curtis.—William Empson.—Nathaniel Whittwell.—Henry Burrowes.—Percival Hunt.—Pieter Verdoen.—Vincent Kidder.—David King.—Daniel Falkiner.—Nathaniel Kane.—Joseph Sidebothom.—Francis Hara.—Robert Owen.'

m. 197 b. And the said commons praying to confirm the said report and make the same an act of this assembly, ordered Mr. Digby Ormsby, one of the collectors of the revenue of the city pipe water, at his instance and request, be discharged from any further collection of the said revenue; and it is ordered that Richard Darling, upon his giving £2,000 security, be appointed collector of said pipe water revenue for the south and north sides of this city, during the city's pleasure, at 12 pence per pound for such money as he shall collect, and that he shall duly pay into the city treasurer all such sum or sums of money as he shall receive, and that at the end or expiration of every three months hereafter he shall give in a true account upon oath to the committee for the management of the pipe water of what he has received and paid into the said treasurer, with an exact account of all houses that shall be then in arrear; and that the said Darling shall not at any time during his collection of said pipe water revenue retain in his hands or custody any sum or sums of money exceeding thirty pounds. Darling.

1725. Revenue of water. Report. Receiver general.

And it is further ordered that the committee's report be and is hereby confirmed with the following alterations, videlicet: That the said collector shall not receive the sum of twenty shillings fine for licence for any branch of a pipe to be laid in whatsoever, but that the receiver general shall receive such licence money, and enter the same particularly in a book where such branch or pipe is to be fixed, and for whose use, and that the said collector shall not suffer any branch of a pipe whatsoever to be laid in without first having a warrant from the town clerk, who shall enter the same in a book to be a charge on said receiver general, and that the said collector shall also at the end of every three months, when he accounts, as aforesaid, give an account of all such pipes or branches of pipes as shall be laid or fixed in manner aforesaid, and that the former committee be continued: allowed. Roll xix. m. 197 b.

Assembly.

[22.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till eleven o'clock: ordered that the assembly be enlarged till eleven o'clock.

Ballast Office. Report. Gabbards.

[23.] 'The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly, 15th October, 1725:

'Pursuant to your honours' orders of last Midsummer assembly, we have proceeded in carrying on the frame work eastward upon the South Bull; we have made and set down twenty one frames this season, which extend, in length, 29 perches; we have also 5 frames more made, and ready to go down, which would have been set before now had the weather permitted. The whole, when fixed, will extend the work of this summer thirty six perches.' ordered to be set down with all convenient speed: allowed.

'We have likewise, pursuant to your honours' orders of last assembly, repaired and graved several of our gabbards, and are going on in repairing the rest as we find it necessary, most of them being in very bad order. Upon viewing the gabbard no. 8, we find her

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not fit to be repaired, and have ordered her to be laid aside, the materials and hull to be applied to the use of the Office, being of opinion that the ten gabbards which remain are sufficient to do the work of the Office:' 1725

To proceed to the repairing and graving as necessary, the said gabbard no. 8 to be disposed of as the committee shall think fit: allowed.

'According to your honours' orders, we have laid before his excellency the lord lieutenant the plan of the river and harbour, together with the committee's answer to secretary Clutterbuck's letter, but as yet we have received no reply. Lord Lieutenant. Plan of Dublin Harbour.

'We have since last assembly received from Mr. William Gibton 33 tuns of timber, which we then reported to your honours remained due to us as the balance of his agreement; his whole account, amounting to £268 5s. 9d., is discharged. Since last assembly we have bought from Messieurs Montgomery and White 200 pieces of oak timber, at 50s. per tun, which is not yet paid for:' Timber.

'The season being now far spent, the days grown short, and the winter approaching, we, your committee, are of opinion that the making of more frames be deferred till the season will permit, and that we now proceed in securing the frames already carried down:' Frames.

Ordered to proceed as the committee shall think necessary: allowed.

'There now remain in our yard at Ringsend but 190 pieces of oak timber; as opportunity offers we shall buy more to enable us to carry on the work next year:' Ringsend. ordered to proceed: allowed.

An abstract of the cash in the Office is hereunto annexed.

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours:

'Thomas Wilkinson.—Thomas Curtis.—John Porter. —Nathaniel Whittwell. — James Somervell. — David Latouche.—Thomas Corker.—John Vareilles.'

1725. Ballast Office. An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 16th of July, 1725, inclusive, to the 15th of October, 1725, exclusive: Roll xix. m. 197 b.

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
To balance given in to last assembly	431	11	7½	By sundry disbursements on the Office account from the 16th of July, 1725, inclusive, to the 15th of October, 1725, exclusive	824	7	0½
To cash received since of ships, etc., from the 16th of July, 1725, inclusive, to the 15th of October, 1725	946	15	6	By Balance	554	0	1
Total	£1378	7	1½	Total	£1378	7	1½

Franchise. Admissions to franchise. m. 200.

1725-6. 1725-6. January 15.

Parliament. Bills. Coals. Corn. Bread. Certain of the commons, setting forth that there are three bills this present session of parliament prepared to pass into laws: one relating to the forestalling, engrossing and regrating of coals, which is lately transmitted into Great Britain; another relating to corn and for ascertaining the measures thereof, and regulating the price and assize of bread; and the third relating to the Workhouse and aldermen, Sheriffs and Sheriffs' peers, who are new governors thereof, and all of them, except the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs for the time being and five aldermen, are excluded from being governors of the said Workhouse: That as to the two first of the said bills, if they or either of them should fail in having the concurrence and approbation of his majesty and privy council in Great Britain, the consequence thereof would be prejudicial to the inhabitants of the city, particularly the poorer sort: That as to the aldermen and Sheriffs' peers, who are excluded by this present act relating to the said Workhouse, the petitioners apprehend the same to be a reflection on the city, and therefore pray application be made to his majesty and privy council in Great Britain that the aldermen and Sheriffs' peers of this city and the master of Trinity Guild may be continued governors of m. 196 b.

Workhouse.

Trinity Guild.

Roll xix. m. 196 b. the said Workhouse, as by the former act, and that applications be made towards the forwarding and solicitation of the aforesaid acts in Great Britain: 1725-6.

Whereupon it is ordered that Mr. John Hamilton be appointed to solicit the aforesaid acts in Great Britain, according to the prayer of the within petition, and that he may draw one or more bills for money, not exceeding two hundred pounds, on the right honourable the Lord Mayor for forwarding and soliciting the said acts in Great Britain, and that the receiver general do pay the same to his Lordship, the same to be allowed him on his accounts. John Hamilton.

m. 207. 1725-6. January 20.—Fourth Friday after 25 December, 1725-6.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the city being at present in debt, and the building intended for a Corn Market House in Thomas Street being but partly erected for want of money to carry on the same, which, with other necessary work and the want of cart horses, will require a considerable sum of money to be advanced for the aforesaid uses, and therefore pray that a sum of money be borrowed on the city seal at the lowest interest possible, and in order to finish the said Market House and answer other necessary works for the city's use: ordered that the sum of £1,500, sterling, be borrowed on the city seal at the lowest interest possible, to answer the contents of the above petition. City debt. Corn Market House, Thomas-street. Cost. Loan.

[2.] Auditors of the city accounts for the last year, according to the committee's report of the 22nd June, 1724: Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, sir John Eccles, aldermen Stoyte, Bolton, Barkey, Quayle, Forbes, sir Nathaniel Whittwell, aldermen Verdoen, Hunt, and eighteen of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any nine of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs to be always two: [The eighteen of the commons:] William Dobson, Humphrey French, William Aldrich, Charles Auditors of City Accounts.

1725-6. Hendrick, James Somervell, Nathaniel Kane, Gilbert King, William Delap, John Vareilles, Joseph Sidebothom, Christopher Inch, Adam Nuttall, John Lord, Erasmus Cope, Robert Owen, Thomas Bignall, William Espinasse, Joshua Hutchinson. Roll xix. m. 207.

[3.] Ralph Blundell and George Curtis, late Sheriffs, are elected masters of the city works for the next ensuing year.

Masters of City works.

Wybrants. Blue Coat Hospital. Church street. Ground.

[4.] Bartholomew Wybrants, agent to the Blue Coat Hospital, setting forth that by agreement the city was to demise to the said Hospital some ground in Church street, in lieu of £1,000 due by the city; that before leases could be properly perfected a year's interest of the said £1,000 became due to the said Hospital for one year, being £60, at 6 per cent., ending Michaelmas last, and therefore prayed to be paid the said interest for the use of the said Hospital: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay to the petitioner for the use of the Blue Coat Hospital the within sum of £60, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. m. 207 b.

Sheriffs. Gabel money. Payment.

[5.] Ralph Blundell and George Curtis, merchants, late Sheriffs of this city, praying a consideration in lieu of the sixpence per house land gabel money formerly received by the Sheriff: ordered that the receiver general, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioners £30, sterling, videlicet, £15 to each, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Tholsel Court.

[6, 7.] Thomas Vice and Mathias Reilly, gentlemen, praying to be admitted two of the attornies of the Tholsell court: granted during the city's pleasure.

Burnside. Stables. West.

[8.] Walter Burnside, praying to be admitted overseer of the city stables, horses and carts, in the place of Richard West: ordered that Richard West, late overseer of the city stables, horses and carts, for his negligence in the said employ, be and is hereby displaced and removed from the same; and it is also ordered that the petitioner, Walter Burnside, be and is hereby admitted into the

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said employ of overseer of the city stables, horses and carts, during the city's pleasure, at the yearly salary of thirty pounds, to commence the second of February next. 1725-6.

[9]. William Neill, praying to be admitted one of the officers at mace, in the place of John Lester, on his surrender: granted, during the city's pleasure, the petitioner giving good security, such as the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs shall approve of, for the just performance of the said employ, and for indemnifying the city from all escapes on arrests by him to be made as usual. Neill, Officer-at-mace. Lester.

[10.] William Spratt, smith, setting forth that in Mr. Mills' time he wrought for this city, and that on balance of accounts there remained due to him £6 14s. 4d., which still remains due to him, though he often applied for the same, as appeared by his affidavit, and therefore prayed now to be paid: ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner the sum of £6 14s. 4d. being the balance of his account, the same to be allowed on his accounts. Spratt, smith. Mills. Payment.

m. 206.

[11.] Rowland Parker, Gilbert Kelly, and Mathew Bowen, adjutants to the foot militia in the city, praying a consideration for attending the said militia, when occasion requires: ordered that the petitioners be paid fifteen pounds, sterling, videlicet, five pounds, sterling, to each, the same to be paid by the receiver general, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, and to be allowed him on his accounts. Adjutants, Foot Militia. Payment.

[12.] Robert Moody, city gardener, praying to be considered for overseeing the City Bason, and repairing the banks thereof, which services were referred to a committee, who made the following report: Moody, City gardener.

'We, the committee appointed to consider the contents of the within petition, have examined the same, and find that the petitioner constantly attended the City Bason, and took care of the improvements thereof, and repairing the banks from time to time; that for such his care and Report. City Bason.

1725-6. attendance he has not received any consideration since Midsummer assembly, 1722, and therefore are of opinion that the petitioner be paid by the city in full for his Services. services in attending the said Bason to Christmas last, the sum of seventeen pounds ten shillings, sterling, which we submit this 13th January, 1725[-6].' Roll xix. m. 206.

And the said Robert Moody, praying this assembly to confirm the said report: ordered that the petitioner be Payment. paid, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, £17 10s., according to the committee's report, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts, and that the committee's report be confirmed.

Tanner, Drum major. [13.] William Tanner, drum major to the city, praying to be supplied with new clothes suitable to his station: ordered that alderman Page provide the petitioner with a livery coat, equal in value to one of those which the City Trumpets. city trumpets wear on public days, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Hawkins, Newgate. [14.] John Hawkins, keeper of Newgate, setting forth that he has been very serviceable to the public in appre- Robbers. hending and prosecuting several notorious robbers in the city, and prayed to be considered for his services: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, do pay the petitioner £10, sterling, in consideration of his past services: ordered that the treasurer, on the Payment. Lord Mayor's warrant, do pay the petitioner ten pounds, sterling, in consideration of his past services, and those which he undertakes to do for the public service of the city for the future.

Wilkinson. [15.] Thomas Wilkinson, an ancient freeman and Trinity Guild. brother of Trinity Guild, being reduced by misfortunes to low circumstances, prays relief: ordered that the receiver general, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner £6, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Hintz. [16.] Daniel Hintz, a free brother of Trinity Guild, being reduced in his circumstances, prays relief from the m. 206 b.

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city: ordered that the treasurer do pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the sum of £6, sterling, the same to be allowed on his accounts. 1725-6. Payment.

[17.] Mary English, setting forth that she is the widow of James English, late schoolmaster at the Blue Boys' Hospital, who died very poor and left her and a numerous family of children in very low circumstances, and therefore prayed relief: ordered that the receiver general, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner £6, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. English. Blue Coat Hospital.

[18.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: ordered that the assembly be enlarged till nine o'clock. Assembly.

[19.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 21st January, 1725[-6]: Ballast Office.

'In our report to last assembly we acquainted your honours that we had set down 21 frames to the eastward upon the South Bull, since which we have set 4 more, the whole extending near 36 perches, and we can with pleasure inform you that they have weathered all the storms that have lately attended this harbour. Report. South Bull. Storms. Harbour.

'Pursuant to your honours' orders of last assembly, we proceeded in repairing and graving our gabbards, which are now finished; the expences, amounting to £216 0s. 3d., is paid for. Graving.

'We have purchased from Mr. Gibton of late 55 pieces of oak timber, containing 11 tuns 8 feet, at 48s. per tun, amounting to £26 17s. 6d., which is not yet paid. As we have but a small quantity of timber now in our yard, it will be proper to make a further provision to enable us to carry on the necessary work of next season: ordered to proceed as the season permits: allowed. Timber

'We have caused the channel and bar to be sounded since the late storms, and cannot observe any alteration since Mr. Stoaks made the last plan, but found the buoy Channel. Storms. Buoy.

1725-6. Bar. of the bar shifted to the north west about sixty perches, which we have caused to be rectified by the proper officer. Roll xix. m. 206 b.

Letter. 'On the tenth instant we received a letter by his excellency the lord lieutenant's order from secretary Clutterbuck, dated the 30th of December, enclosing Captain John Perry. Captain John Perry's petition to his excellency, both which are hereunto annexed and referred to your honours, Committee. 21st January, 1725:' ordered that the committee prepare Answer. an answer with all convenient speed, and when the same is ready to acquaint the Lord Mayor therewith, in order to be laid before an assembly: allowed:

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours:

'Thomas Wilkinson.—Thomas Curtis.—John Porter.—Nathaniel Whittwell.—William Aldrich.—Gilbert King.—David Latouche.—John Vareilles.—Thomas Corker.'

An abstract of the Ballast Office account from the 1st of November, 1725, inclusive, to the 21st of January, 1725-6, exclusive.

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cr.	£	s.	d.
To balance of the two years and a half's accounts, ending the 31st of October last, inclusive	577	14	5½	By sundry disbursements on the Office accounts, from the 1st of November, 1725, inclusive, to the 21st of January, 1725[-6], exclusive	641	8	6
To cash received since of ships, etc., from the 1st of November, 1725, inclusive, to the 21st of January, 1725[-6], exclusive ...	476	12	9	By balance	112	8	8½
Total	£1054	7	2½	Total	£1054	7	2½

Carteret. [20.] 'To his excellency John, earl of Carteret, lord lieutenant general, and general governor of Ireland. m. 205.

Perry. 'The humble petition of captain John Perry:

Petition. 'Sheweth:—That in pursuance of your excellency's commands, your petitioner carefully examined into the Dublin Harbour. present condition of the harbour of Dublin, and in the Brugh. report made by captain Thomas Burgh, and your petitioner represented to your excellencie the manifest

Roll xix. m. 205. declining state thereof, with the natural causes from 1725-6. whence the same proceeded:

'That your petitioner, since the delivery of the said report, did, in obedience to your excellency's further Report. commands, use his utmost care and diligence in making necessary remarks, and in laying down such a method Method. as, in his humble opinion, will, if put in execution, be effectuall for procuring the utmost advantages and safety to the trade of this city, as by the description of what he Trade. proposes, lately printed[1] and delivered to your excellency, as also to the Lord Mayor and directors of the Ballast Ballast Office. Office is set forth:

'That your petitioner's affairs in England are very England. pressing for his return thither; but before he goes over, he, both in regard to his own reputation, the honesty of his endeavours as well as the common welfare in a matter of so much concern, most humbly prays that your excellency would be pleased to order the directors of the Ballast Office to state in writing any such doubts or objections which may be by them apprehended either with relation to the practice or the expense or time your petitioner has estimated for the performance of the work proposed, or else to choose some men of the best under-
m. 205 b. standing and skill, whom they shall think fit, verbally to explain their reasons touching such doubts or objections, before such persons as shall by your excellency be appointed to hear and examine the same, whereby it may be cleared to the satisfaction of your excellency and the public whether the work projected by your petitioner Projected work. may at the computation by him made be performed, and will carry with it the safety to shipping and particular advantages to trade which are by him proposed, beyond any other possible means or not.

'And your petitioner in humble duty will pray, etc.—

'John Perry.'

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[1] *See* Preface.

1725-6.

'Dublin Castle, Roll xix. m. 205 b

'30th December, 1725.

Letter. 'Gentlemen: I herewith send you the petition of captain Perry, and am commanded by my lord lieutenant Book. to desire you will peruse the book lately printed by the said Captain Perry, entitled 'A method proposed for Port of Dublin. making a safe and convenient entrance to the port of Dublin, etc.,' and that you will acquaint his excellency if the method therein proposed is liable to any objections:

'I am, gentlemen, your most humble servant,—

'Thomas Clutterbuck.

'To the committee of directors for the Ballast Office in Dublin.'

Franchise. Admissions to franchise. m. 208.

Declaration. Declarations and signatures. m. 209.

1725-6. February 11. m. 204

[1.] Certain of the commons, conceiving it necessary George I. that an address be made by this city to his majesty on Address. his late safe arrival to Great Britain, and therefore prayed Recorder. that the address which Mr. Recorder had prepared on that occasion might be put under the city seal, and presented to his excellency the lord lieutenant in order to be transmitted to his majesty: ordered that the annexed address prepared by Mr. Recorder, with an addition of thanks to his majesty for appointing his excellency the lord Lord Carteret. Carteret lord lieutenant of this kingdom, do stand as the address of this city, the same to be put under the city City seal. seal, and presented according to the prayer of the above petition, which address is as followeth:—

'To the king's most excellent majesty:

Address. 'The humble address of the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, commons and citizens of the city of Dublin:

'Most gracious sovereign:

'We, your majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, being truly sensible that the welfare and security of

Roll xix. m. 204. your people depend upon the safety of your majesty and the succession in your royal house, humbly beg leave with the utmost joy and satisfaction to congratulate your majesty upon your safe and happy return to your dominions: 1725-6.

'Your majesty's constant and unwearied endeavours to preserve the peace and prosperity of your kingdoms, and to maintain the general tranquillity of Europe, your great care and concern to promote and secure the trade and commerce of your subjects, and your tender compassion for the distressed Protestants abroad, must necessarily oblige all who have at heart the real interest and happiness of their country, and the security of the Protestant religion, to the utmost returns of duty and gratitude: Europe. Protestants.

'We therefore cannot but look upon all attempts to disturb the quiet of your majesty's reign, as designed to make way for the Pretender, and to subvert our happy constitution in church and state; but as the Divine Providence hath hitherto preserved your majesty, and crowned your councils and arms with success, we doubt not but by the blessing of God upon your majesty's princely care and wisdom, the vigilance of your ministers, and the ready assistance of your faithful and loyal subjects, the designs of your enemies will be rendered vain and ineffectual, and be turned to their own confusion: Pretender. m. 204 b.

'We humbly beg leave to take this opportunity of acknowledging among other instances of your majesty's goodness, the great regard you have been pleased to shew to this nation in sending his excellency the lord Carteret to represent your royal authority here, whose zeal for your majesty's service and just and prudent administration have rendered him highly acceptable to your subjects of this kingdom: Lord Carteret.

'And we hold ourselves obliged, both in duty and gratitude, with the utmost sincerity at this juncture to

1725-6. Loyalty. Affection. assure your majesty of our steady loyalty and affection to your person and government, and that we are determined to hazard all that is dear to us in defence of your majesty, and in support of the succession in your royal house against the Pretender and all other of your majesty's enemies: Roll xix. m. 204 b.

'In testimony whereof we have caused the common seal of the said city to be hereto affixed this eleventh day of February, 1725[-6].'

Ballast Office. [2.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee of directors of the Ballast Office have, pur-

Answer. suant to order of last assembly, prepared an answer to his excellency the lord lieutenant's commands in relation

Perry. Harbour. to captain Perry's scheme about the harbour of Dublin, and prayed that the said answer, with the annexed certificate of merchants and masters of ships, be put under the city seal, as the answer of this city, and the same to

Lord lieutenant. be presented to his excellency the lord lieutenant: whereupon it is granted: which answer and certificate are as follows:

Lord Carteret. [3.] 'To his excellency John lord Carteret, lord lieutenant general, and general governor of Ireland:

'May it please your excellency:

'In obedience to your excellency's commands, signified to our committee of directors for the Ballast Office, by letter from your excellency's secretary, the right honourable Thomas Clutterbuck, esquire, dated at Dublin castle, the 30th day of December last, we, the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, commons and citizens of this city have

Book by Perry. not only seriously perused the book lately printed by captain John Perry, entitled: 'A method proposed for

Entrance to Port of Dublin. making a safe and convenient entrance to this port, etc.,' but also have again taken to our assistance merchants and masters of ships from different parts, with others experienced in the art of navigation, who in a particular manner have delivered their sentiments to us in a letter which we herewith beg leave to lay before

Roll xix. m. 204 b. your excellency, and for the reasons therein set forth 1725-6. we are fully confirmed in our opinion that captain Perry's scheme for making his proposed entrance would prove prejudicial, and even destructive to our trade and navigation.

m. 203. 'It remains for us, therefore, further to offer to your excellency that the making and erecting stone walls on Walls. the North Bull, as also the driving of piles into the sea North Bull. with stone work raised on the same, would prove a vain attempt, for the said walls of such extent and dimensions as described by captain Perry would undoubtedly be demolished in any one storm of wind from the sea, nor Storms is it possible for him to drive a sufficient number of piles Wind. at this proposed pier head by reason of the great sea that Sea. runs there with any wind from west to the east (which here commonly blows eight months in the year), and will rage even in calm weather for three or four days after a gale of wind from the sea; nor will the nature of the sand admit of driving as in Holland or elsewhere, Sand. Holland. which has been found by long experience.

'We beg leave further to recommend to your excellency's observation that no estimate has been made by Estimate. captain Perry of any charge for a wall on the north side of his intended canal, which would be absolutely Canal. necessary in order to answer the advantages proposed by him to track up ships, and that he likewise hath omitted the expence of the greatest part of the South Wall above Expense. South Wall. the shores which, together with the insufficiency of his walls, the shallowness of his canal, and a wrong estimate in his charge for the same without any provision made for accidents which so naturally attend works of that Accidents. kind, will in the whole, as we are persuaded, amount to double the sum required, as may easily be made appear.

'We return your excellency our humble thanks for Dublin. your early and tender regard to our trade and harbour, Trade. Harbour. on which the good and welfare of this city and country so much depend, and we assure your excellency that we

1725-6. would cheerfully embrace or fall into any reasonable scheme that would further or promote so valuable a design to which we (as well as the mariners frequenting this port) are fully persuaded that captain Parry's proposals can no way contribute, nor is the same to us a new project, it having been maturely considered and rejected by this city when the Ballast Office was first erected. Roll xix. m. 203.

Mariners, Port.

'In testimony whereof we have caused the common seal of the said city to be hereto affixed, this 11th day of February, 1725-6.'

The copy of the certificate of the merchants and masters of ships to the Ballast Office:

'To the committee of the directors for the Ballast Office of Dublin:

Certificate. 'Gentlemen: In pursuance to your request we have not only some time ago, in company with captain Burgh, Sutton. Captain Perry and yourselves at Sutton, but also since, seriously weighed and considered the said Perry's new scheme Entrance to Port. for making an entrance into this port by way of Sutton, and we entirely are of the opinion, that should the same be attempted (or allowing it to be finished as proposed by him) would greatly tend to the ruin of our trade and navigation for the following reasons, videlicet:

Bay of Sutton. Pier. [i.] 'That the bay of Sutton on the situation of the proposed pier, being in the north side of the bay, having on one side thereof a long and dangerous shoal of rocks Hill of Howth. called the Hill of Hoath, and on the other a large and North Bull. dangerous sand called the North Bull, which make the entrance to said pier very narrow and dangerous, especially for any ships turning out, who, if they once should miss staying, have not room to make a second attempt nor room to ware, must in course go on shore either on the rocks or the North Bull, and consequently ships and cargo perish, and perhaps the men also. m. 203 b.

Sutton. Sea. [ii.] 'That any wind from the W.S.W. to the east makes at Sutton a very great sea, much greater than

Roll xix. m. 203 b.

many other parts, so that no ships can pretend to get out from thence with any wind from the east to the S.W., nor come in with any wind from the west to the N.E., without warping; and suppose fifty to a hundred sail should happen to arrive in one day, as often happens, would they not all require many days to warp in, and would not a continual damage attend to those ships striving to get in one before the other, and that bad consequences may be feared to those who must remain without? 1725-6. Winds. Ships.

'Whereas ships with reef topsails may turn in over the bar of Dublin with any wind, and on the other hand a ship from Ringsend with reef top sails can sail out over the bar with the wind at S.B.E., which cannot be done out of Sutton by five points, so that all ships bound to the northward must sail into the bay with a contrary wind, and there to wait for a fair one, and ships bound to Whitehaven, Chester, and even the packet boats, must lie with the wind from S.S.E. to the S.W., which is the best trading wind they have, and with which they readily can sail from our present harbour, and with fair weather have room to turn out with any wind. Bar. Ringsend. Whitehaven. Chester Packet boats.

[iii.] 'That with any wind blowing hard from the east to S.S.W. there runs into the bay of Sutton a prodigious heavy sea, by reason of the depth thereof, and being confined to so narrow a breadth, and more exposed to the open sea than other parts of the bay, would in course occasion such swell and high sea between the pier-heads that no ships would feel their rudder going in, and of consequence under no command, so that it would be a meer chance if a ship could get safe in, but if they should happen to touch, it will be impossible that either men, ship or cargo can be saved. But lay aside those difficulties, it is impossible that a ship of any draught of water can get within the pier before first quarter flood or last quarter ebb, for although in smooth water there may be depth sufficient, yet in hard gales of easterly Bay of Sutton Difficulties. Ships.

1725-6. Winds. winds there will be such a hollow sea, that it will at least send six feet, so that a ship will, of course, stave her bottom out, and being in extremity in the bay, and cannot wait for tide. Sutton in those cases will be of no service, but, on the contrary, would prove fatal and of ill consequence to ships riding at anchor in the bay, if the wind should come about from the N.E. to the E.S.E., and blowing so hard that a ship cannot ride it out, it will be impossible then for them to fetch Sutton: whereas in our present circumstances in such a gale of wind a ship may get into Polebegg, where both ship and cargo are safe. Roll xix. m 203 b. Tide. Wind. m. 202. Polebegg.

Winds. [iv.] 'That for at least eight months in the year the winds are generally observed to blow here between the S.S.E. and west, by which winds ships must run a great way to leeward for Sutton pier, and when they are there, the distance from thence (being about twice as far as from our present port), the passage very crooked and narrow, and in course those winds full against them, which undoubtedly will make their passage up to town very tedious, to the ruin of ships, owners and sailors, whereas ships with all those winds may come in over the bar, and with the wind at S.S.W. can lay it up to Ringsend, and if more westerly can make a few trips, having room enough, and in one tide or two may get up to Ringsend, from whence they can get up on all occasions to the city. Passage to Dublin. Ringsend. Dublin.

Harbour. Pier-head. [v.] 'That the harbour within the proposed pier-head appears to us to be in a manner dry, or but little water in it, and that very narrow, what will then become of the many great ships that resort to this port of Dublin, as well as the men-of-war who are not built to lie a-ground, nor cannot?

'That for these reasons, as well as many more here too tedious to mention, we humbly are of opinion that captain Perry's scheme would greatly prejudice our harbour and trade, but that any improvement to the Ships. Perry's scheme. Harbour.

Roll xix. m. 202. present harbour is the only means of safety for ships, and the future encouragement to our trade that can be thought on or invented, which now lying happily situated in the middle of our bay, from whence ships equally either may go or come from the north or south: 1725-6. Harbour.

'And we are entirely satisfied that the present work to the general satisfaction has answered the end, for ships of good burthens now daily come up to the Quays, and the port below or harbour already become safe and smooth for ships to ride in by means of the piles and framework, and would the more be so was the same carried on with greater expedition towards the bar, and then should not doubt but the bar would be deeper by the confinement of the land water running one way: Ships. Quays. Port. Piles. Frame-work. Bar.

[vi.] 'We can assure you that there is at present as much water on the bar as ever hath been within memory, neither can we perceive any sands washed away from the South Bull, nor no spits nor sands driven inwards, only at the end of the piles a small sand is occasioned by the tide setting round the east end of the frames, which yearly go along with the same, and in course will be gone when the frames be carried into deep water, nor is the bounds the outset of the land waters, and the tides towards the bar no way widened, nor the strength of the current weakened, nor is the depth of the water in the harbour any way lessened, but to the contrary deeper water is now at the upper end of Polebegg: Water Sands. South Bull. Frames. Polebegg

m. 202 b. 'We are surprised at captain Perry's wrong representation in all those particulars, as well as in his easy way of bringing ships into his pier and out, by which it fully appears he is no master of that branch, but perhaps it is not so as to the rest of his works, which we leave to your observation as being out of our way: Captain Perry.

[vii.] 'Lastly, we assure you that we have no other end in what we here have offered, only at heart the good of this harbour and trade, being well wishers of the

1725-6. same, as we sincerely are, gentlemen, your most obedient humble servants:—Dublin, February 5th, 1725[-6]: Roll xix. m. 202 b.

Commanders of ships. 'The undernamed, having formerly been commanders of ships:

'William Montgomery. — Thomas Christian. — John Murney. — William Wilson. — William Murth. —Daniel Bayley.—Patrick Kelly.—Mortimer Murphy.—William Clancy.—Joshua Lawson.

Pilots. 'We, the undernamed, are pilots for ships in and out of port:—

'Henry Neale, eighty years.—Francis Bryan, sixty years.—William Brown, forty years.—Patrick Lawler sixty years.—John Thompson, sixty years.—Oliver Eustace, forty years.—Simon Marks, forty years.

Names of masters of ships:—

Masters of ships. William Gibb, commander of 'King George,' Dublin.—John Brownrig, formerly master.—Samuel Bell, master of the 'Lowthrop,' of London.—Hans Janson, commander of the 'Providence,' Dublin. — Alexander McKinley, master of 'James,' of Dublin.—Thomas Rumball, master of 'Princess,' Whitehaven.—Isaac Langton, commander of 'Friendship,' of Whitehaven.—James Grayson, commander of the 'Rainbow,' Whitehaven. — Andrew Henderson, commander of the 'Tryal,' sloop.—Alexander Willock, commander of 'Carteret,' of Dublin.—Abraham Clark, commander of 'Dispatch,' of Dublin — Robert Ellis, commander of 'Industry,' of Northam.—Benjamin Barnard, commander of the 'Portmarahart.'—Henry Stewart, commander of 'Providence,' of Dublin.—William Smyth, commander of 'William and George,' of Bristol.—Alexander Hunter, commander of 'Two Friends,' of Dublin.—George Knethell, master of 'Dublin,' merchant of 'Bristol.'—Joseph Cornick, master of 'Owners' Adventure,' Milford.—William Anderton, master of 'Fradsom,' Dublin.—John Cloake, master of the 'John,' of Dublin.—James Duhart, master of 'Lemon,' Dublin.—William

Roll xix. m. 202 b. Baggot, master of 'Hopewell,' Dublin.—Samuel Leech, commander of 'William and James,' Dublin.—Edmund Derrick, master of 'John and Mary,' Chepstow.—John Barrow, master of 'Hope,' of Whitehaven.—Beltizar Knethele, master of 'Friendship,' Milford.—B. Sympson, commander of 'Emanuel,' Drunton—Richard Wilson, commander of 'Cumberland,' Whitehaven. — Henry McBride, commander of 'Katherine,' Dublin.—Jos. Pouge, master of 'Mary Anne,' of Dublin.—Henry m. 201. Underwood, master of 'St. Nicholas,' of Dublin.—Robert Montgomery, master of 'Arthur,' sloop, of Dublin.—James Fitzpatrick, master of the 'Betty,' of Dublin.—Martin Bowes, master of 'Dove,' of Southampton.—George Mollineaux, formerly master of the ship called the 'Hanover,' lately lost on the North Bull, belonging to London.—John Crawford, master of 'Concord,' of Saltcoats.—David Mathews, master of 'Margaret and Sarah,' Dublin.—Henry Davis, master of 'Betty,' of Milford.—Francis Christian, master of 'Hibernia,' of Dublin.—John Sobiesky King, master of 'Lively,' of Dublin.—John Tasker, master of 'Elizabeth,' of Dublin.—Rowland Knethell, master of 'William and Henry,' of Milford.—John Watt, master of 'Tryal,' of London.—John Thompson, late master of 'Swellers,' of Dublin.—Robert Sayes, master of 'Palm Tree,' of Dublin. 1725-6. Masters of ships.

[4.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that Nathaniel Bland and Diana Bland, alias Kemeys, his wife, preferred their bill in the Court of Exchequer about a lease formerly granted by the city to Philip Croft, gentleman, deceased, of a parcel of ground on the Strand behind Lazers Hill, and the surrender thereof; to which bill they have made Mr. Thomas Gonne, Town Clerk, a party, and have proceeded against him to answer the same; and therefore pray that proper care be taken in the said suit as far as the same relates to the city: referred to Mr. Recorder to direct what is proper to be done in the above petition. Bland. Kemeys. Croft. Strand Lazers Hill. Suit.

1726. 1726. April 22.—Second Friday after Easter.[1] Roll xix. m. 212.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee for auditing the city accounts had made their report of the 21st of April, 1726, which report is as followeth: 'We, the committee appointed in Christmas assembly, 1725, to audit the city accounts from the 25th of March, 1724, inclusive, to the 25th of March, 1725, exclusive, do humbly represent to your honours that we have accordingly perused the same, and find the new method of drawing out said accounts, ordered by act of Midsummer assembly, 1724, hath been observed by the treasurer in the several particulars which could not be complied with in settling the last accounts, excepting that the disbursements for said year are not in so particular a manner drawn out under their proper separate heads as your committee think said act of assembly obliges to, whereby the experience of each branch of the revenue or public work of the city might be more easily and clearly discovered, which the treasurer promises shall be done more exactly hereafter, and your committee think ought to be done:

Auditing City accounts. Report. New method. Treasurer. Separate heads. Revenue.

'We find the city agent hath proceeded against several tenants in arrear, by which means some of the old arrears have been since paid to the treasurer; that the said city agent will speedily proceed against the rest, and we doubt not will recover most of the arrears now due to the city in a short time:

City agent. Arrears.

'We must observe that by means of the whole collection of the water-money being put into hands, and the difficulty of adjusting the accounts and gathering the arrears of the several districts, we have not been able to get a yearly account of the revenue of said branch to the first of November last; but by a report made by the committee of the city pipe water, it appears that affair is in great forwardness, and we hope a yearly account may be pro-

Water money. Committee.

[1] Easter day, 10th April, 1726.

Roll xix. m. 212.

duced and settled hereafter to every first of November, 1726. so as to be brought into the city accounts when audited Report. in the manner the act of assembly requires :

'We find that the present rent roll is very imperfect, Rent Roll. that the names of former tenants and what they paid remains in it as well as the present tenants names and rents, which occasions much confusion and trouble in making a charge on the treasurer out of it, and also renders such charge very liable to mistake. We are, therefore, humbly of opinion that a committee be appointed to Committee. rectify said rent roll, and to have a new one drawn out in a parchment book wherein the names only of the Parchment book. present tenants and rents be inserted ; and that the said committee be directed to make use of all the city leases, and every other help they can have, in order to make out as full and complete a rent roll of the city income as they City income. possibly can, and that those lands which are called lands Lands waste. waste and unknown, and all such as the city can prove to get nothing at present from, may be entered in said parchment book in a distinct place, so as not to be brought in charge upon the treasurer in every year's accounts, which only give the committee for auditing said accounts a greater trouble, and, as your committee apprehends, answers no valuable end to the city :

m. 212 b.

'We observe to your honours that the treasurer accounted this time for one year and a half's toll corn, Toll corn. videlicet, from Michaelmas, 1724, to the 25th March, 1726, exclusive, which is included in the abstract of the year's accounts hereunto annexed : which accounts and the above reports are humbly referred to your honours by your committee, this 21st of April, 1726 :

'Joseph Kane.—William Walker.—William Quayle.—Anthony Barkey.—George Forbes.—Percival Hunt.—Nathaniel Kane.—John Lord.—William Espinasse.—Joseph Sidebothom.—John Vareilles.—William Dobson.—Erasmus Cope.'

1726.

Roll xix m. 212 b.

[1 i.] Alderman John Page, receiver general of the City revenues: Dr.

Alderman John Porter, treasurer.

Account of City revenues.

	£	s.	d.
To arrears of rent	601	7	6
„ ancient revenue	1883	1	9¾
„ St. George's rent	40	10	0
„ All Hallows' rent	477	19	6
„ St. Mary's Abbey rent	237	18	0
„ New Hall market rent	222	10	0
„ St. Thomas' street rent	54	10	0
„ fines of artizans and apprentices	10	17	6
„ fines by Act of Parliament	13	0	0
„ full produce of petty customs of the markets	194	15	8
„ full produce of the Toll corn for one year, ending Michaelmas, 1725	1794	5	4
„ rents and fines for the Pipe water ...	1397	4	4
„ rent of shops under Newgate	16	10	0
„ full produce of the Threepenny customs, to Michaelmas, 1725	190	10	4
„ the full produce of the customs of gates ...	957	6	6
„ the herbage of St. Stephen's Green ...	11	0	0
„ the rent of the mill at Dolphin's Barn ...	13	0	0
„ cash at interest from Trinity Guild, per Mr. Kane, master	100	0	0
„ cash from David Chaigneau, esq. ...	1500	0	0
„ do. for stable manure	6	0	0
„ do. for grazing in the Poor-House fields ...	5	0	0
„ full produce of Toll corn for half a year, ending 25th March, 1726	1073	2	9
	£10802	9	3¾

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1726. Account of City revenues.

Per Contra, Cr.

	£	s.	d.
By balance of last account	1105	4	1¾
„ salaries and payments	2271	3	9
„ gifts and alms	500	5	0
„ debts of the city	1167	3	2
„ casual expenses	4471	10	5
„ lands waste	2	18	2
„ lands unknown	27	10	0
„ lands out of the city's possession ...	37	17	0
„ arrears of rent, due Michaelmas, 1725 ...	606	0	0
„ Captain Brooks, for Lazers Hill ...	50	0	0
„ Sir John Totty, for Little Butter Lane ...	20	0	0
„ contingent charges to the treasurer ...	20	0	0
„ poundage of £8430 2s. 4d., money paid at 12d. per pound	421	10	0
	10731	1	7¾
Balance due to the city from the accountant	71	7	7½
	£10802	9	3

'And the said commons, praying to confirm the said reports and make the same an act of assembly:' ordered that the committee's report be confirmed, and that the said committee be continued to make a new rent roll pursuant to said report. Confirmation.

[2.] Certain of the commons, praying that application be made to their excellencies the lords justices that two market days more in the week be appointed for selling corn: ordered that application be made to the lords justices of this kingdom, that Tuesday and Thursday in every week be added to the present market days for bringing in corn to the corn market, in such manner as Mr. Recorder shall advise. Market days. Corn. Market.

1726. Chief Governors. Franchise. Gold box. Primate.

[3.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that it hath been usual for this city to present the chief governors of this kingdom with their freedom in a gold box, and therefore prayed that his grace the lord primate,[1] one of the lords justices, be presented with the freedom of this city in a gold box: granted, according to the prayer of the petition, the whole expense not to exceed thirty pounds. Roll xix. m. 212.

Captain William Rowley. Ship of war. Seamen. Coals.

[4.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that William Rowley, esquire, captain of his majesty's ship-of-war 'Lively,' had of late a press warrant to press for seamen, which occasioned great scarcity of coals in this city, by coal ships not venturing to come in for fear of being pressed; that so soon as application was made to said captain Rowley, he very readily granted protection for coal ships to come into this harbour, and therefore prayed that he be presented with the freedom of the city in a silver box: granted, according to the prayer of the petition, the whole expense thereof not to exceed eight pounds. m. 211. Franchise. Silver box.

Forbes. Black Dog Yard. Committee.

[5.] George Forbes, alderman, setting forth that he is in possession of six stalls in the Black Dog yard, and therefore prayed a lease of ninety-nine years of said stalls, which petition being referred to a committee made the following report, videlicet:

Report.

'Pursuant to your honours' order of reference, we have viewed the premises in the petition of alderman Forbes situate in the Black Dog yard, containing thirty six feet in front to the west and six feet in depth, as by a map thereof hereunto annexed appears, and we are of opinion that the lease of the said premises be executed to him for the term of ninety-nine years (with the city seal affixed, gratis) at the yearly rent of sixteen pounds, payable half yearly, being the same rent the premises now yield and pay to the city, to commence from the 24th of June next, and that the said alderman Forbes, on the execution of said lease, do surrender to the city all the old leases he hath of said

[1] Hugh Boulter, D.D.

Roll xix. m. 211.

premises, there being many years of some of said leases yet to come and unexpired: which we submit to your honours, this 27th day of January, 1725[-6]: 1726.

'Joseph Kane.—William Walker.—J. Reyson.—Caspar White.—John Read.—Nathaniel Kane.'

And the said Alderman Forbes, praying that said report may be confirmed and made an act of assembly: ordered that the committee's report be confirmed and leases drawn as Mr. Recorder shall advise. Forbes.

[6.] Edward Synge, clerk, setting forth that for these eight years past he hath not been paid any valuation money for the two houses that were pulled down in New Hall market, which was referred to a committee, who made the following report: Edward Synge. New Hall Market.

'We, the above committee, have examined the within petition, and find that the treasurer of this city, in his accounts which were passed in August, 1717, charged the sum of £10 12s. 6d. to be paid to the reverend doctor John Finglass, for arrears of minister's money due for two houses in the Black Dog yard; we do not find that any money was paid since on that account, and that there is now due to the petitioner for minister's money, in lieu of the houses which were formerly pulled down, the sum of £11 12s.: all which is submitted, this 15th of April, 1726: Report.

'Joseph Kane.—William Walker.—Caspar White.—Thomas Curtis.— Henry Burrowes.—Joseph Sidebothom.—Tobias Lewis.'

And the said Edward Synge, praying to confirm the said report and make it an act of assembly: ordered that the receiver general, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, do pay the petitioner the sum of £11 12s., in full, of arrears of ministers' money for the premises in the within petition mentioned, to the twenty-fifth of March last, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Order.

[7.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee for entering the city leases had made their report of the first of April, 1726, which is as followeth: Committee for City leases.

1726. Report. 'We, the within committee, have examined more of the counterparts of the city leases, and have given directions for examining the rest, and in regard to the expense of transcribing the same was referred to us, we have taken the same into our consideration, and are of opinion that John Connell, who transcribed the same, be paid in full for the labour the sum of forty five pounds, sterling, which we submit, this 1st of April, 1726:

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Examinations. Transcribing. Connell. Payment.

'Joseph Kane.—William Walker.—John Porter.—Ralph Blundell.—John Sican.—David Latouche.—W. Ryves:'

Granted: the committee's report confirmed, and the committee continued, and that John Connell be paid for transcribing the city leases, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, £45, sterling, being the [amount] reported, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

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Jacob. [8.] Jane Jacob and her eldest son, setting forth that there is a small tenement belonging to the city on the Blind Quay. Blind Quay to the eastward of Casey's Tower, containing about seven feet in front, and therefore prayed a lease of said tenement: whereupon it was referred to a committee, who made the following report:

Committee. Report. 'We, the committee appointed to examine the contents of the within petition, have viewed the premises therein mentioned, and find that there was a small tenement on the Blind Quay, to the eastward of Casey's Tower adjoining the petitioner's holding, the said Tower, which said tenement belonging to the city contains in front to the said Quay, seven feet, and the like number of seven feet fronting the river Liffy, in depth from front to rear forty one feet. We find the said tenement belonging to the city to be very old and ruinous, and in danger of falling down, and by reason of the petitioner's tenement, the said Tower, jetting out into the street, the same is inconvenient to coaches and carriages that pass along the Blind Quay, and in regard the petitioners propose to rebuild their said Tower and to enlarge the street, and that the aforesaid small tenement belonging to the city can be but of little service to any other than the petitioners.

Casey's Tower. Street. Coaches. Carriages.

Roll xix. m. 211 b.

'We think it proper that a fee farm lease be made thereof to the petitioners at three pounds per annum rent, to commence from Michaelmas next; that the petitioners be obliged to rebuild their said tenement, the said Tower, with all convenient speed, upon a level with the other buildings on the east and west of the said Tower, and on rebuilding the same with the said small tenement belonging to the city, shall leave the Quay on the back of the said tenement fronting the river Liffey twenty five feet wide: 1726. Tower.

'All which we submit to your honours, this 22nd of March, 1725[-6.]:

'Joseph Kane.—William Walker.—Caspar White.—John Reyson.—William Dickson.—Erasmus Cope:'

And the said Jane Jacob, praying to confirm the said report, and in regard her son is not at age, and being willing the said lease be made to your petitioner, and the same be made an act of assembly: ordered that the committee's report be confirmed according to the prayer of the above petition, and that leases be perfected as Mr. Recorder shall advise; that the petitioner be obliged to rebuild the Tower therein mentioned within three years from the date hereof, on a range with the other buildings on the Blind Quay. Leases. Rebuilding. Blind Quay.

[9.] Silvanus Pepyat, stationer, setting forth that his brother, Jeremiah Pepyat, stationer and printer to this honorable city, whose affairs have obliged him to continue in England, and having a surrender of said employ under the said Jeremiah Pepyat's hand, therefore humbly prays to be admitted printer and stationer to this honorable city in the stead of said Jeremiah: granted during the city's pleasure. Pepyat. City printer and stationer.

[10, 11.] Henry Conran and James Clinch, gentlemen, praying to be admitted attornies of the Tholsel court: granted, during the city's pleasure. Conran. Clinch.

[12.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the halberteers' livery coats are worn very bare, and there- Halberteers.

1726. Livery. fore pray that they be provided with new livery coats: ordered that the halberteers be supplied with new livery coats as usual by alderman Page, the expense thereof to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Roll xix. m. 211 b.

Nelson. City works. [13.] James Nelson, assistant to the masters of the city works, praying consideration for his past services: ordered the receiver general, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner fifty pounds for his past services, the same to be allowed on his accounts.

Espinasse. Officers at mace. [14.] William Espinasse, brewer, setting forth that he became security for Thomas Mozely, one of the officers at mace, to save the city harmless from escapes, and praying to be discharged of said security: ordered that Thomas Mozely enter into a bond, with new security to the city, for the employ as officer at mace, before the next assembly, or that the said Mozely shall be turned out of his employ.

Stokes. Survey. Harbour of Dublin. Maps. [15.] Gabriel Stokes, setting forth that he made a survey of the harbour of Dublin last summer, and praying some consideration for his said trouble: ordered that the petitioner be paid by the Ballast Office the sum of fifty pounds in full for drawing and surveying maps of the harbour of Dublin, and the other services mentioned in his petition and the above account. m. 210.

West. Militia horse. [16.] Richard West, adjutant to the militia horse, praying consideration for his past services: ordered that the receiver general, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay to the petitioner £6, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Assembly. [17.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly: ordered that the assembly be enlarged till nine o'clock.

Sankey. Grant. [18.] Richard Sankey, setting forth that he is a freeman of this honorable city, is reduced to very low circumstances and prays relief: ordered that the receiver general, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner £6, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

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[19.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee about setting a lease to [representatives of] Jacob Newman had made their report of the 1st of April, 1726, inst., which report is as followeth: 1726. Newman.

'We, the committee to whom the within petitions are referred, find that a state of the city's case relating to the holdings formerly set to Jacob Newman and the holding set to John Crow, hath been drawn by the city agent, and the same, with proper queries, laid before Councillor Barnard for his opinion, who has advised the filing a bill in equity against Mr. Berrye and Mr. O'Hara; that a draught of a bill be accordingly drawn, and directions given to the city agent to have the same filed by next term: which we submit, this 1st of April, 1726: Report. Crow. Berrye. O'Hara.

'Joseph Kane.—William Walker.—David King.—Tobias Lewis.—Charles Page:'

And the said commons, praying that an order might be made therein: ordered that the city agent proceed in law and equity as Mr. Recorder shall advise, and that the committee be continued.

[20.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly, April 22nd, 1726: Ballast Office.

'Pursuant to your honours' directions, we have laid before the Lord Lieutenant the answer to captain John Perry's scheme, intituled a method proposed for making a safe entrance into the port by way of Sutton, together with the merchants' and masters of ships' certificate relating thereunto: Report. Perry. Port.

'The Ballast Office is obliged by act of parliament to lay before the Government and council, once in every three years, the accounts of the annual receipts and payments of the said Office. We herewith lay before your honours the said abstract for your approbation, in order to have the city seal affixed to the same:' Ordered the city seal be affixed accordingly. Accounts.

'Whereas by act of assembly, Michaelmas, 1708, it

1726. Sail cloth. Admiralty. was ordered[1] that 100 yards of the best Holland duck sail cloth that shall be manufactured in this kingdom shall be presented annually to the lord high admiral of Great Britain, conformable to an engagement made with his royal highness under the seal of the city, upon obtaining the Ballast Office act, to be paid out of the produce of the said Office, and whereas, by neglect or otherwise, the said compliment has been omitted for near thirteen years past, there will become due to the Admiralty Office on the 1st of May next 1224 yards. May it therefore please your honours to give proper orders that the same may be procured, and sent over forthwith to the said office:' Roll xix. m. 210.

Ordered that the committee procure the said sail cloth, and that the same be forthwith sent to the lords of the Admiralty.

'We have since our last report bought from Mr. John Rathburn 34 tuns 13 feet of oak timber, at 20s. per tun, which is paid for, and is since cut into planks for the frames. m. 210 b. Oak.

Frame work. 'We have desisted from going on with the frame work any further for want of long timber; but as soon as a proper quantity can be procured fit for our purpose, we shall proceed with all expedition, to which end we have agreed with Mr. William Gibton for 50 tuns of long oak timber, at 50s. per tun, to be delivered as soon as the same can be transported from Wales.

'We formerly acquainted your honours of a contract made with Messieurs Lovely and Murry for furnishing the office with stones, at ten pence farthing per tun, and as the said contract is now expired we have applied to them to renew the same, which they and others refuse to comply with unless the Office will pay for the future eleven pence halfpenny per tun, and advance them fifty pounds in hand, and even on those terms cannot promise Stones. Prices.

[1] *See* vol. vi., p. 391.

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ourselves a sufficient supply. As hitherto we find by experience this inconveniency has led us to have recourse to other parts in search for them, and as we are informed a large quantity of stones fit for the Office use, which are on the Strand remote from the land near the Black Rock, are the property of this city, we therefore pray for liberty from your honours to raise or take up the said stones for the use of the Office, which we presume may be done at much less expense than hitherto has attended that article:' Granted: and that the committee do proceed. 1726. Strand. Black Rock.

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours:

'Thomas Wilkinson.—Thomas Curtis.—John Porter.—William Aldrich.—David Latouche.—John Vareilles.—Thomas Corker:'

Ordered that aldermen Curtis, Verdoen, Porter, Hunt, Nuttall, and ten of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any five of them, be appointed a committee of directors of the Ballast Office: [The ten of the commons:] James Somervell, Gilbert King, William Aldrich, Richard Blair, David Latouche, Thomas Corker, John Taylor, David Chaigneau, John Vareilles, Caspar White. Committee.

An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts, from the 22nd day of January, 1725[-6], inclusive, to the 22nd of April, 1726, exclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.	Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
To balance to last assembly ...	412	8	8½	By sundry disbursements on the Office account, from the 22nd January, 1725[-6], to the 22nd of April, 1726, exclusive ...	469	18	1½
To cash received since of ships, etc., from the 22nd January, 1725[-6], inclusive, to the 22nd of April, 1726, exclusive ..	711	4	8	By Balance	654	15	3
Total ...	£1,723	13	4½		£1,123	13	4½

m 213. mm. 210,* 214.

Admissions to franchise. Franchise.

Declarations and signatures. Declaration.

1726. 1726. July 22.—Fourth Friday after 24 June. Roll xix. m. 116.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that since a charter[1] granted by king Charles the First, appointing the Lord Mayor, Recorder, with six senior aldermen who served [the office of] Mayor of the city of Dublin, justices of the peace for the city aforesaid, this city is much enlarged, and the number of inhabitants much increased, and that it would tend much to the public good and well government of this city if the number of the justices of the peace were increased: and therefore prayed that application be made to his majesty, in the name of this city, that he would be graciously pleased to grant a charter appointing all aldermen justices of the peace who have served in the office of Mayoralty or fined for the same; and those who hereafter shall serve in said office or fine for the same, after such service or fine to be justices of the peace for the county of the city aforesaid, in such manner as Mr. Recorder shall think fit:

Charter: Charles I. Mayor. Aldermen. Justices of the peace.

Whereupon it was ordered that humble application be made to his majesty, in the name of the city, that he would be graciously pleased to grant to this city a charter appointing all aldermen who have served in the office of Mayoralty, or fined for the said office, and those who hereafter shall serve in the said office or fine for the same, immediately after such service or fine to be justices of the peace for the county of the city of Dublin; that the same be applied for at the expense of the city in such manner as Mr. Recorder shall advise, the said expense to be paid by the treasurer, and allowed on his accounts.

Application to George I.

[2.] Robert Fortune, clerk to the right honourable the Lord Mayor, in behalf of his lordship, setting forth that some years ago the city demised to Joseph Kane, esquire, present Lord Mayor, a lease of a spot of ground in the north side of Oxmantown Green, and therefore prayed

Joseph Kane.

[1] *See* vol. i., p. 37.

Roll xix. m. 216. that a committee be appointed to inspect into the said ground, and report their opinion thereon, which committee made the following report: 1726. Oxmantown Green.

'We, the above committee, have examined the matter to us referred, and find that the city, about eight years since, demised to the present Lord Mayor the premises within mentioned, adjoining at the east end to Mr. Thwaites' malt house, and in depth at the east end, 37 feet, and at the west end 21 feet and three quarters, for the term of 99 years, at four pounds per annum rent, and capons yearly; that the said rent hath been constantly paid ever since, but the premises have not been of any advantage or benefit to his lordship, being of so inconsiderable a depth; and as the adding a small piece of ground to the before demised premises will not prejudice in any sort the public or spoil the beauty of the Green, we are of opinion that a piece of said Green adjoining the before demised premises be added thereto, which said additional ground contains at the east end thirty feet in length, to the south in Oxmantown Green 156 feet, and at the west end 38 feet and a quarter; that the petitioner have a lease of said two pieces of ground (containing in the whole to Harbour Hill 149½ feet, and at the west end 60 feet in depth, bound to the north by Harbour Hill, to the east partly by Mr. Thwaites' malt house and partly by Oxmantown Green, to the south by Oxmantown Green, and to the west by Oxmantown Green); the said lease to be for lives renewable for ever, at six pounds per annum, and capons yearly to the Lord Mayor; the said rent to be paid half yearly on every Easter and Michaelmas, to commence from Michaelmas next, and to pay half a year's rent on the fall of every life; the said lease to be made to the petitioner in trust for his lordship, in consideration of his having paid eight years' rent without receiving any benefit or income out of the premises in that time, at the additional rent of forty shillings and half a year's rent on the fall of every life as aforesaid:

Report. Green. Arbour Hill. m. 216 b. Lease.

1726. 'All which, with the annexed map of the premises, is humbly submitted, this 11th day of July, 1726: Roll xix. m. 216 b.

'Joseph Kane.—William Walker.—Caspar White.—Henry Burrowes.—Peter Verdoen.—John Hamilton.—John Lord:'

And the said Robert Fortune, praying to confirm the said report and make the same an act of assembly: granted: the committee's report confirmed, and that leases be drawn as Mr. Recorder shall advise, the same to be perfected next post assembly, but for the term of ninety nine years only, and not for lives renewable, the same to commence from Michaelmas next.

Market days. [3.] Certain of the commons, praying that two market days more in the week be applied for to their excellencies the lords justices of this kingdom for buying and selling corn: granted that Mondays and Thursdays be appointed additional market days weekly, and that application be made accordingly as Mr. Recorder shall advise.

Corn.

Gonne, Town Clerk. [4.] Thomas Gonne, gentleman, Town Clerk, setting forth that he hath business into the province of Connaught, and therefore prayed leave to be absent for the space of five weeks from his departure: granted.

[5.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that by act of assembly, bearing date the 13th of June, 1721, it was ordered that leases should be perfected to the city by Richard Tighe, esquire, of some ground adjoining the water course, at forty shillings per annum, which leases as yet have not been perfected, and therefore prayed that leases should be perfected next post assembly: granted.

Richard Tighe. Water-course.

Watch. [6.] The supervisors of the watch, church wardens and parishioners of the parish of St. John the evangelist, setting forth that the watch house of said parish on the Wood Quay is too small for a constable and twelve men, and therefore prayed for ten foot square to enlarge said watch-house: which was referred to a committee, who made the following report:

Parish of St. John.

Committee.

Report. 'We, the above committee, appointed to examine the contents of the within petition, have viewed the watch-

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house within mentioned, and find that the same is too small for the constable and watchmen belonging to the said parish; therefore are of opinion that the said watch-house be enlarged to the east end thereof ten feet square on the Wood Quay, for the aforesaid use of said parish, and no other, the same to be done at the expense of the said parish when they shall think fit to enlarge the said watch-house: 1726. Wood Quay.

'All which is submitted, this 14th of July, 1726;

'Joseph Kane.—William Walker.—Caspar White.—Thomas Wilkinson.—Jos. Sidebothom:'

And the said supervisors, etc., praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: granted, the committee's report confirmed.

[7.] Thomas Griesdall, in behalf of himself and the rest of the Protestant inhabitants of Ringsend, setting forth that they have been at great expense in repairing the chapel of Irish-town, and therefore prayed the bounty of the city towards the repair of said chapel: ordered that the receiver general, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner for the uses in the petition mentioned the sum of £10, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Protestants. Ringsend. Irish-town.

[8.] John Reilly and the rest of the officers at mace, praying to have new gowns: ordered that alderman Page do provide the several officers at mace with new blue gowns, the expense thereof to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts, and that the gown of the officer of commons be the same with the rest of the officers at mace, but trimmed as the Sheriffs shall think fit. Officers at mace. Blue gowns.

m. 215.

[9.] Patrick Browne, paver, praying to be paid for paving work-done for the city's use in alderman Forbes' time, when Lord Mayor, which was referred to said alderman Forbes, who made the following report: Browne. Paving work.

'I have examined the allegations in the within petition mentioned, and find that the petitioner did, by my order, when Lord Mayor of this city, pave in the several places Report.

1726. named in the annexed account for the uses therein mentioned, and that the gentlemen for whom part of said work was done refused to pay him for the same; that the petitioner paved over the city pipes in Capel street and Church street to the value of £4 12s. 4d. In regard the petitioner being a poor man and a sufferer in the said work, I am humbly of opinion he be paid by the treasurer £7 10s. in full of his demands on the city:

Roll xiv. m. 215.

'Dated this 3rd day of May, 1726.—George Forbes:'

And the said Patrick Browne, praying to be paid the sum reported: ordered that the receiver general, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner the sum of £7 10s. in full for paving work done for the city's use, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Payment.

Burnett. [10.] Hannah Burnett, widow, setting forth that her husband was an ancient freeman of this city, and therefore prayed relief: ordered that the receiver general, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner £10, sterling, and the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Grant.

John Foreman. Corporation of bakers. [11.] Captain John Foreman, setting forth that he is present master of the corporation of bakers, but by many misfortunes is reduced to great want; whereupon it was ordered that the receiver general of the city revenues do pay the petitioner £3 in hand, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, and £6 per annum, to be paid half yearly, the same to commence from midsummer last, to continue during city's pleasure.

[12.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly: ordered that the assembly be enlarged till nine o'clock.

Assembly.

Sale. [13.] Mary Sale, setting forth that she is the widow of Isaac Sale of this city, merchant, and is reduced to great want, and therefore prayed relief: ordered that the receiver general, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner £6, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

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[14.] Robert Moody, gardener, setting forth that he is the son of Robert Moody, late city gardener, and therefore prayed to be admitted city gardener in the room of his father, deceased: granted, during the city's pleasure, with usual salary. 1726. Moody, City gardener.

[15.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly, 22nd of July, 1726: Ballast Office.

'Pursuant to your honours' orders of last assembly, we laid before the Government and council the abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 1st of May, 1723, inclusive, to the 1st of November, 1725, exclusive, for their approbation, according to act of parliament. Report.

'We have likewise, according to your honours' orders,[1] sent 1224 yards of the best Irish duck sail cloth, manufactured in this kingdom, in imitation of the best Hollands duck, to the lords of the admiralty of Great Britain, which, at 1s. 6d. per yard (and other expenses of shipping, etc.), amounts to the sum of £97 0s. 3d., which is paid; the same, together with 208 yards procured and sent in April, 1708, and 360 yards sent in 1713, makes in all 1800 yards, being in full for eighteen years at 100 yards per annum, from the commencement of the Ballast Office in May, 1708, to May last past, as per act of assembly, 1708:' Granted. Sail cloth. Admiralty.

'We acquainted your honours in our last report that we were not able to go on with the framing work on the South Bull for want of long timber. Since then we have bought from Mr. Barkey 12 tuns 3 feet and 3 quarters of oak timber, at 50s. per tun, amounting to £30 4s. 8d., and likewise from Mr. Vareilles 27 tuns 9 feet and a quarter, at 48s. per tun, amounting to £65 7s., all which are paid for. The said timber, with what were formerly in the yard, has enabled us to make nine frames, which are carrying down with all expedition: South Bull. m. 215 b. Timber. Frames.

'According to your honours' orders, we have proceeded

[1] *See* p. 350.

1726. Stones. Black Rock. Prices. in raising stones at the Black Rock, and do find that we have saved almost half in the price of what they formerly used to stand the Office in, and shall continue in raising the same while the season and weather permits: ordered to proceed as season permit. Roll xix. m. 215 b.

'In our reports of April the 9th, 1725, we acquainted Committee of Privy Council. your honours we had attended the committee of council, according to their orders, with the proper officers' books and vouchers, which were all examined, and had the pleasure to give entire satisfaction, but could never obtain their report nor the act of council till the 6th of June last, the copies of which are hereunto annexed:

Oak. 'That forasmuch as oak timber now is becoming very scarce, and no sufficient quantity can be had to supply the occasions of our frames, it is therefore our opinion Red fir. that good, red fir timber will tend very much to the advantage of the work, by fixing one piece of fir between every piece of oak, and, as the same constantly or mostly now is supposed to be under water, we are satisfied will be as durable as the oak timber, and especially as some indifferent oak, which for want of better we now are using, and have been obliged to buy besides fir timber, will make our work more regular and the frames cheaper:' Ordered to proceed as the committee shall deem proper.

'We further represent to your honours that at this Gabbards. time all our gabbards and floats are out of repair, and as this is the proper time of the year for such work, we conceive it absolutely necessary to set about it immediately:' Ordered to proceed as the committee shall think proper.

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed:

'All which is submitted to your honours:

'Thomas Curtis. — John Porter. — Peter Verdoen.— Joseph Nuttall.—James Somervell.—Gilbert King.—John Vareilles.—David Latouche.—David Chaigneau.—Thomas Corker.'

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An abstract of the Ballast Office account from the 2nd of April, 1726, inclusive, to the 22nd of July, 1726, exclusive. 1726

Ballast Office, Dr.	£ s. d.	Per contra, Cred.	£ s. d.
To Ballast given in to last assembly	654 15 3	By sundry disbursements on the Office account, from the 22nd of April, 1726, inclusive, to the 22nd of July, 1726, exclusive	831 18 7
To cash received since, of ships, etc., from the 22nd of April, 1726, to the 22nd of July, 1726, exclusive	980 16 3	By Balance	803 12 11
	£1,635 11 6		£1,635 11 6

m. 217. Admissions to franchise. Franchise.

m. 218. Declaration and signatures. Declaration

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Roll xx. m. 2.

1726. October 14.—Third Friday after 29 September.

Lord Mayor: William Empson; Sheriffs: Philip Pearson and Thomas How.

[1.] Robert Fortune, clerk to the right honourable the Lord Mayor, setting forth that his lordship, being elected into the Mayoralty of this city, has been at great Mayoralty. expense in supporting the dignity of the same, and therefore prayed the usual allowance: ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay to the Expense. Payment. petitioner, for the use of his lordship, five hundred pounds, sterling, one moiety at Christmas next and the other moiety at midsummer next, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

[2.] Said Robert Fortune, clerk to alderman Joseph Kane, late Lord Mayor, setting forth that by the several acts of parliament lately passed in this kingdom the office of Lord Mayor is attended with much greater expense and trouble than formerly, and therefore prayed an augmentation for said alderman Kane's use: ordered Grant. that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner, for the late Lord Mayor's use, the sum of Joseph Kane.

1726. four hundred pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Roll xx. m. 2.

Town Clerk. [3.] Thomas Gonne, Town Clerk, setting forth that William Walker and Caspar White, merchants, late Sheriffs. Sheriffs, ever since they undertook said office their time hath been wholly taken up in discharging of the same, Allowance. and therefore prayed the usual allowance: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, do pay the petitioner, for the late Sheriff's use, two hundred pounds, sterling, videlicet, one hundred pounds to each, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Fortune. Commissioners of array. [4.] Robert Fortune, clerk to the commissioners of array, setting forth that great part of his time had been taken up in attending said office, and therefore prayed to be considered for his said service: ordered that the treasurer do pay unto the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, ten pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed him on his accounts.

Wybrants, Clerk to Commons. [5.] Bartholomew Wybrants, setting forth that for these many years past he has officiated as clerk to the commons, and therefore prayed to be considered for his said services: ordered that the treasurer do pay the petitioner the sum of ten pounds, sterling, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the same to be allowed on his accounts.

Water bailiffs. [6.] John Jones and Augustine Thwaites, water bailiffs, praying to be continued in their employs: granted during city's pleasure.

Hawkins. Newgate. [7.] John Hawkins, keeper of Newgate, praying to be continued in his employ: granted during city's pleasure.

[8.] Greenwood Hanna, John Smith, Francis M'Cann, William Justice, Robert Goodwin and Mathew Wrightson, Officers at mace. officers at mace, praying to be continued in their several employs: granted during the city's pleasure.

[9.] John Reilly, Henry Tucker, Thomas Mozly and Sheriffs' officers. William O'Neill, Sheriffs' officers, praying to be continued in their several employs: granted during the city's pleasure.

Roll xx. m. 2 b.

[10.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that it will 1726. be necessary that the new Corn Market House be Corn Market house. supplied with three lamps, and that the Tholsel be also Lamps. supplied with one, and likewise that two watchmen be Tholsel. Watchmen. appointed to attend said Market House from the 29th of September to the 25th of March yearly, from the hour of seven of the clock in the evening to the hour of Hours. five in the morning, at the city's expense, and therefore prayed that said lamps and watchmen be provided accordingly: whereupon it was granted.

[11.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that by act of assembly, bearing date 13th June, 1721, it was ordered that leases should be perfected to the city by Leases. Mr. Tighe of a small piece of ground near the pipes Tighe. adjoining the water course, and that as yet they have not been perfected, and therefore prayed that leases be perfected next post assembly: whereupon it was granted.

[12.] Docwra Brooks, setting forth that by an award Brooke. made by Thomas Marlay, esquire, his majesty's solicitor Marlay. general, and Francis Bernard, esquire, perfected the 20th day of September, 1722, which was afterwards confirmed and made the decree of his majesty's high court of chancery, and was thereby awarded to have a grant for ever of some ground on the north side of Lazers Lazers Hill. Hill in the said award mentioned, at the yearly rent of five pounds per annum, issuing out of the premises, and therefore prayed that a grant of the premises be executed to him in pursuance of said award: ordered that deeds be executed as Mr. Recorder shall advise, the same to be put under the city seal.

[13.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine of the clock: ordered that the assembly Assembly be enlarged till nine of the clock.

[14.] Jeremiah and Silvanus Pepyat, city stationers, Pepyat setting forth that the committee to whom the contents Committee. of their petition and account were referred have made

1726. their report of the 23rd of September last, which report Roll xx. m. 2 b. is as followeth:

Report. 'We, the within committee, have examined the contents of the within petition, as also the account hereto annexed, which amounts in the whole to £109 2s. 8d., sterling: we find the said account to be regularly proved, and are of opinion the petitioners be paid in full of the same the sum of £109, sterling, in full for printing work and stationery ware delivered by them for the city's use, to this 23rd of September, 1726:

'Joseph Kane.—William Walker.—John Reyson.—Henry Burrowes.—John Sican.—Adrian Bulkeley.—Jos. Sidebothom.—William Archdall.—Robert Owen:'

And the said Jeremiah and Silvanus Pepyat praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: ordered that the treasurer do pay the petitioners the sum of £109 on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the same to be allowed him on his accounts.

Assembly. [15.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly further till eleven of the clock: granted.

Latouche. [16.] David Latouche, merchant, setting forth that the city, by lease dated the 18th of July, 1712, did demise to Sibthorpe. Robert Sibthorpe a slip of ground, part of the city wall Castle street. on the south side of Castle street, containing in the west seven feet, in the south twenty four feet, on the east seven feet, on the north twenty four feet, for three lives renewable for ever; that said city also did demise to Wybrants. City wall. Daniel Wybrants. alderman, eight yards of the stone wall formerly built by the city, and one foot of the pavement for a term of years; that said city also demised the last Oliver Cheney. mentioned premises to Oliver Cheney, merchant, for 99 years from Michaelmas, 1734, the right of which said leases is legally vested in him; that he is likewise intituled to ground behind said premises, and intends to build thereon, and therefore prayed a fee farm of said Committee. premises: which was referred to a committee, who made the following report:

Roll xx. m. 2 b.

'We, the committee appointed to examine the contents of the annexed petition of Mr. David Latouche, in pursuance thereof have viewed and surveyed the premises therein mentioned, and by the survey made thereof we find the holding that was set to Sibthorpe to contain in
m. 1. the front to Castle street, from west to east, 24 feet or thereabouts, and in depth, being the breadth of the city wall, from north to south, seven feet or thereabouts. We also find that part of the premises in the said petition mentioned, which was formerly set to alderman Daniel Wybrants, and a lease of 99 years thereof in reversion to Mr. Oliver Cheney, to contain in front to Castle street 25 feet, from west to east, and in depth, being the breadth of the city wall from north to south, 5 feet, or thereabouts; and we are humbly of opinion that a fee farm lease be made of the premises aforesaid to the said David Latouche, at the yearly rent of £6 per annum, over and above two capons yearly, or 5s. in lieu thereof, the said rent to commence from the 25th day of March next ensuing, and to surrender to the city the leases and assignments in his said petition mentioned: Dated this 16th day of August, 1726:

1726. Report. Latouche. Sibthorpe. Castle street. Wybrants. Cheney. Lease. Rent.

'Joseph Kane. — Caspar White. — Percival Hunt. — Ralph Blundell.—Peter Verdoen.—John Vareilles.— Thomas Corker:'

And the said David Latouche, praying to confirm the committee's report, and to make the same an act of assembly: granted: the committee's report confirmed, and that leases be drawn as Mr. Recorder shall advise, and that the same be put under the city seal accordingly.

[17.] Mary Gardiner, widow, praying consideration: ordered the treasurer do pay the petitioner the sum of £6, sterling, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Gardiner.

[18.] Doctor Nicholas Forster, lord bishop of Raphoe, setting forth that on the 13th of January, 1704[-5], this city did demise to Robert, late lord viscount Molesworth,

Forster, Bishop of Raphoe. Molesworth.

1726. deceased, all that piece or stripe of ground on the Roll xx m. 1.
Fishamble-street. west side of Fishamble street, containing in length from north to south 60 feet, and in breadth from east to west 6 feet at one end and 7 feet at the other, and also a piece
Buttevant Tower. of ground known by the name of Buttevant's Tower, and the city wall between that tower and the place where
Dames Gate. Dames Gate formerly stood, the said tower containing in breadth from north to south adjoining the city wall 24 feet, and the city wall containing in length, from said Buttevant's tower in the north to the south end thereof . . . foot and a half, and in breadth at the south end thereof, from east to west, five feet, for three lives, at the yearly rent of £1 17s. 8d., with covenants of renewing the same for ever without fine or fees of the city seal; that the interest of said lease and premises are legally vested in
Viscount Molesworth. the petitioner; that John, late lord viscount Molesworth, one of the three lives in the said lease, is lately dead, and so a new life is to be added in his stead; that renewing said lease on the fall of every life is attended with trouble without any manner of profit to the city; and therefore
Surrender. prayed, upon serious consideration, to accept of a sur-
Fee farm. render of said lease of lives, and make him a fee farm of the premises at the said rent of £1 17s. 8d., and that he will submit to any method that council should advise for the better securing the payment of said yearly rent: whereupon it is ordered that the petitioner's request be and is hereby granted, and on surrendering the present lease in the petition mentioned, that a fee farm deed be executed to him of the premises as Mr. Recorder shall advise.

Ballast Office. [19.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly, 14th October, 1716:

Report. 'Since our last we have made four frames more, which,
Frames. together with the former nine reported last assembly,
South Bull. we set down on the South Bull to the eastward, extending in length about eighteen perches. The floats are

Roll xx. m. 1. now securing the same with stones from Black Rock, and for want of timber could proceed no further this season. 1726. Stones. Blackrock.

'We reported to your honours last assembly that we had sent 1224 yards best duck sail cloth to the lords of the admiralty, pursuant to the engagement of the city. Admiralty. The same is since arrived, as appears by letters from said Office, directed to the Lord Mayor, the copies whereof are hereunto annexed.

'We bought of Messrs. Montgomery and White 74 pieces of oak timber, containing 12 tuns 100 feet, at 50s. Oak. Fir timber. per tun, amounting to £30 2s. 9d., as likewise 20 pieces of large fir timber for bottom reals for the frames, m. 1 b. containing 17 tuns 14 feet 3 quarters, at 45s. per tun, amounting to £39 1s., which is now put up in the yard against next spring, together with some timber lately received from Mr. Gibson, being part of 50 tuns contracted with him some time ago. We have agreed with Messieurs Montgomery and White for 600 pieces of Polish straight oak timber, from 18 to 21 feet Polish timber. long, 10 to 11 inches square, for piles, and likewise for 40 pieces of oak timber for top reals for the new invented frames, to be 35 feet long, to be delivered in May next, at £3 5s. per tun:' Granted, and that the timber be straight and well squared, as the committee shall think proper.

'We have, pursuant to your honours' orders of last assembly, repaired and graved four of our gabbards, Gabbards. some of which we find in very bad order, and shall go on in finishing the rest as soon as possible, and when the same can be spared.

'We further are to inform your honours that a misfortune hath lately attended the Ballast master by his clerk's absenting from the Office since Wednesday last, which prevents our laying before your honours an abstract of the Office accounts as usual; but by the last Accounts. state of the . . delivered unto us to the 10th instant, there then appeared a balance in favour of the

1726. Office of £986 15s. 0½d.:' Referred to the committee to settle the account with the Ballast master. Roll xx. m. 1 b.

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours:

'Thomas Curtis. — John Porter. — Peter Verdoen. — Percival Hunt. — Joseph Nuttall. — Richard Blair. — William Aldrich. — James Somervell. — Gilbert King. — Caspar White. — David Latouche. — John Vareilles. — Thomas Corker.'

Declaration. Declaration and signatures. m. 3.

Franchise. Admissions to franchise. m. 4.

1726-7. 1726-7. January 20.—Fourth Friday after 25 December, 1726. m. 8.

[1.] Robert Fortune, gentleman, setting forth that his name was only made use of in trust for alderman Joseph Kane for a lease of a piece of ground in Oxmantown Green for 99 years, and therefore prayed that a lease should be executed to said alderman Kane in his own name: whereupon it was ordered according to the prayer of the petition.

Joseph Kane. Oxmantown Green.

Byrne. [2.] Mary Byrne, widow, setting forth that this city, by indenture bearing date the second Friday after Easter, anno Domini, 1708, demised to Alexander Irwin, plumber, one messuage, house and ground, situate on the east side of Winetavern street, containing in length on the north and south sides thereof, from east to west, 173 feet, and at the west end thereof facing Winetavern street, in breadth from north to south, 16 feet and a quarter, and at the east end thereof, in breadth from north to south, 23 feet and a half, for three lives, renewable for ever, at a yearly rent of £8, sterling, and capons yearly, and upon payment of half a year's rent on the fall of every life, since which the interest of said lease is to come to said Mary Byrne; and John M'Neal, one of the lives inserted in said lease, is lately dead, and therefore prayed that the name of Thomas Byrne be inserted in the stead of said John

Irwin.

Winetavern street.

M'Neal.

Roll xx. m. 8. M'Neal, deceased: whereupon it was granted that a new life be added according to the prayer of the above petition. 1726-7.

[3.] Elizabeth Staples, widow, setting forth that on the 20th day of January, 1659, a new lease was executed by this city to Patrick Tallant, esquire, of one messuage, with the appurtenances, then in the possession of Arthur Harvey, situate in High street, containing in front from east to west six yards, and in length from north to south to St. Audoen's church 25 yards and a half, in breadth in the back parts thereof 6 yards, from the feast of St. Michael then last past, for the term of 41 years, at the yearly rent of £6, sterling; that in the year 1602 said city demised to Patrick Tallant said messuage in reversion for 61 years after the expiration of 41 years, at the yearly rent of £5 and capons yearly; that the interest thereof is legally vested in your petitioner, and he therefore prayed a longer lease of the premises: whereupon it was referred to a committee, who made the following report: Staples. Tallant. Harvey. High street. St. Audoen's church. Committee.

'We, the committee to whom the contents of the petition of Mrs. Elizabeth Staples were referred, have viewed and surveyed the premises in the said petition set forth, and are humbly of opinion that a new lease be made to the petitioner of the premises for the term of 99 years, from the 25th day of March next ensuing, at the rent of £5 per annum, during the remainder of the term in the present lease, and from the expiration of the said term the yearly rent of £30, sterling, per annum, with capons yearly to the Lord Mayor, or 5s. in lieu thereof, and the present lease to be surrendered at the perfection of the new lease to be made: Dated this 24th day of November, 1726: William Empson.—Thomas How.—William Quayle.—George Forbes.—William Espinasse.—Richard Walsh:' Report.

And said Elizabeth Staples, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: where- m. 8 b.

1726-7. upon it was granted: the committee's report confirmed, and that leases be perfected on the surrender of the old lease as Mr. Recorder shall advise. Roll xx. m. 8 b.

Thomas Wyndham, Chancellor. Franchise. Gold box. [4.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the right honourable Thomas Wyndham, esquire, lord high chancellor of Ireland, one of the lords justices of the same, hath not as yet received the compliment of his freedom in a gold box, and therefore prayed that his excellencie be presented with his freedom accordingly: granted according to the prayer of the petitions, the expence thereof not to exceed £30.

Sheriffs. Land gabel money. [5.] William Walker and Caspar White, merchants, late Sheriffs, praying consideration in lieu of the land gabel money: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver general, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioners £30, sterling, videlicet, £15 to each, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

David Chaigneau. Loan. Interest. [6.] David Chaigneau, esquire, praying that he be paid £1,500 due to him from this city the 28th day of January, 1726, or that he be allowed interest for the same at the rate of six per cent.: whereupon it was ordered that the petitioner be paid £1,500, sterling, and interest, pursuant to the prayer of his petition, on the 28th day of January instant, and that the said sum be borrowed from colonel Peter Godby, on the city seal, at five per cent. per annum, he being willing to let the city have said sum at said interest.

Godby.

Forrest. Marshal. Tholsel court. Marshalsea. [7.] John Forrest, setting forth that he hath been for some years past marshal of the Tholsell court, and hath sustained many losses by said employ, and therefore prayed to be considered: ordered that the petitioner be abated half a year's rent of the city Marshalsea, being £40, sterling, on his discharging all arrear of rent due to the city thereout to Michaelmas last.

Goddard. Lecture. St. Nicholas within. [8.] Valentine Goddard, clerk, praying the subscription of this city for a lecture sermon to be preached weekly at the parish church of Saint Nicholas within: whereupon

Roll xx. m. 8 b. it was ordered that the petitioner be paid at the rate of 1726-7. five pounds, sterling, per annum for his weekly lecture sermon and daily prayers, the same to be paid during the city's pleasure and to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

[9.] Abraham Eastwood, setting forth that he is an Eastwood. ancient freeman of this honourable city, and is reduced to great want, and therefore prayed to be considered: whereupon it was ordered that the treasurer do, on the Grant. Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner ten pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed on his accounts.

[10.] John Hawkins, praying to be paid £15 18s. 1d., Hawkins. expended by him for coals and candles at the guard Guard house. house of Newgate: whereupon it was ordered that the Newgate. treasurer do pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, £15 18s. 1d., pursuant to the prayer of the petition and the annexed affidavit and account, the same to be allowed on his account.

[11]. William Baker, praying to be considered for his Baker. past services in paying the carters and sweepers: ordered Carters. Sweepers. that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner ten pounds, sterling, for his past services, the same to be allowed on his accounts.

[12.] Mary English, widow, praying relief: ordered English. that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay Payment. the petitioner six pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed on his accounts.

[13.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the Assembly. assembly till nine o'clock: granted.

[14.] Benjamin Pineau, praying to be admitted city Pineau. attorney: granted during city's pleasure.

m. 7. [15.] James Frayse, brazier, praying relief: ordered Frayse. that the receiver general, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner six pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

[16.] Richard Falkiner, esquire, setting forth that this Falkiner. city in Midsummer assembly, 1696, granted to his father

1726-7. Comb. a lease of a parcel of ground on the north side of the Comb, containing 150 yards, or thereabouts, in front, and about 18 feet in depth, for 99 years, from the year 1719, and therefore prayed a fee farm lease of the premises, and that the city would accept of a surrender of his present lease, there being 93 years unexpired, which was referred to a committee, who made the following report: Roll xx. m. 7.

Committee.

Report. 'We, the above committee, have examined the contents of the within petition, and viewed and surveyed the premises therein mentioned, and find the same to be situate on the north side of the Comb, adjoining the south end of Francis' street, containing in front to the Comb 434 feet built upon, and sixteen feet more not built upon, being left to enlarge the breadth of the south end of Francis' street, as is supposed, the whole contains in depth eighteen feet, bounded on the south by the pavement of the Comb, on the west by the petitioner's ground, on the north by the petitioner's ground, and on the east by the pavement of the south side of Francis' street, which said premises are particularly described in a map thereof hereto annexed:

Francis street.

'We find that the city demised to the petitioner's father, in the year 1696, the said premises for a term of years, whereof 93 years are yet to come, at the annual rent of three pounds and capons yearly; in regard, therefore, that the petitioner's inheritance is immediately behind and adjoining the said premises, we are of opinion that petitioner, on surrendering the present lease, have a fee farm lease of said premises demised to his father at the annual rent of ten pounds, sterling, to commence from Easter next, together with capons yearly, or five shillings in lieu thereof: which we submit to your honours, this 12th day of December, 1726:

'William Empson.—Philip Pearson.—Thomas How.—Joseph Kane.—Thomas Curtis.—John Porter.—William Aldrich.—James Somervell.—David Latouche.—William

Roll xx. m. 7. McCullagh.—Ralph Blundell.—George Curtis.—Richard Norton:' 1726-7.

And the said Richard Falkiner, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: granted: the committee's report confirmed, and that leases be perfected on surrender of the old lease as Mr. Recorder shall advise. Leases.

[17.] James King, merchant, setting forth that the city, in the year 1663, demised to William Devin one cellar or piece of ground on the south side within Newgate, containing at the west end, adjoining the city wall, ten feet in length from north to south, and six feet in breadth, and also a small shed on the premises, containing from the wall of Newgate to the southward ten feet and nine inches, and in length from east to west thirteen feet, for the term of 61 years, at the annual rent of 20s., which lease by mesne assignments came to your petitioner, and is part of his dwelling house, and that said lease determined in 1724, and therefore prayed a lease of the premises: which was referred to a committee, who made the following report: King. Devin. Newgate. City wall Committee.

'We, the committee to whom the contents of the within petition and report were referred, have taken the same again into our further consideration, and are of opinion that the petitioner have a fee farm lease of the premises in the within map, containing the particular number of feet and mearing and bounding as in the said map is specified, at the annual rent of 40s. and capons yearly, the said rent and duties to commence from Easter next, he discharging the arrears due out of the premises to that time; we are further of opinion that when the passage under Newgate shall be enlarged, that towards enlarging the same the petitioner shall give three feet in depth from north to south of the premises on the south side of Newgate, and in length from east to west nineteen feet, without any consideration for the same, and that there be a covenant and penalty on the Report. Rent. Passage.

1726-7. petitioner leaving the said three feet accordingly, and if the petitioner improve on said three feet, that he be allowed no consideration for the same, either by abatement of rent or for improvements: which we submit to your honours, this 11th day of November, 1726: Roll xx. m. 7. m. 7 b.

'William Empson.—Philip Pearson.—Joseph Kane.—George Forbes.—Charles Hendrick.—Nathaniel Kane.—Thomas Corker.—John Read.—David Tew:

And the said James King, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: granted: Leases. the committee's report confirmed, and that leases be perfected as Mr. Recorder shall advise.

Collins. [18.] John Collins, merchant, setting forth that he has Nicholas' Gate. a lease of a piece of ground near Nicholas Gate, and Whalley's Garden. adjoining the city wall, known by the name of Whalley's Garden, containing in length 117 feet, and therefore prayed a lease of that part of the city wall adjoining his said ground: which was referred to a committee, who made the following report:

'We, the above committee, have viewed and surveyed the within premises pursuant to order of assembly, and are of opinion that the petitioner have a lease of 99 years City wall. of part of the city wall situate to the westward of Nicholas Gate and the back of the south side of Back lane, containing in length 117 feet, and in breadth six Lord Anglesey's ground. feet, bounded to the north with the Lord Anglesey's ground, to the east with the city wall, to the south by the petitioner's ground called Whalley's Garden, and to the west with the city wall, at the annual rent of £1 10s., payable half-yearly, to commence from Michaelmas, 1727; a map or survey of the premises is hereto annexed: all which is submitted, this 11th day of July, 1726:

'Joseph Kane.—Caspar White.—William Aston.—John Sican.—William Ord.—John Banfield:'

And the said John Collins, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: granted: the committee's report confirmed, and that a lease be

Roll xx. m. 7 b. perfected to the petitioner as Mr. Recorder shall advise. 1726-7.

[19.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly further till eleven o'clock: granted. Assembly.

[20.] Auditors of the city accounts, according to the committee's report of the 22nd June, 1724: Auditors.

Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, aldermen Stoyte, Bolton, Barkey, Curtis, Burrowes, Verdoen, Hunt, Pearson, Nuttall, and eighteen of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any nine of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs to be always two, are appointed auditors of the city accounts for the last year, according to the committee's report of the 22nd June, 1724:

[The eighteen of the commons:] William Dawson, Humphrey French, William Aldrich, James Somervell, Nathaniel Kane, David Chaigneau, Gilbert King, Richard Grattan, William Phillpott, John Sican, Charles Ward, William Blood, William Espinasse, Edward Slicer, Eliphal Dobson, Evan Bevan, William Bulkley, Martin Billing.

[21.] Committee of the water course: Water course Committee.

Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, treasurer, masters of the works aldermen Quayle, Forbes, Curtis, Dickson, Porter, Burrowes, and twelve of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any nine of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs to be always two, are appointed a committee to view the watercourse:

[The twelve of the commons:] Vincent Kidder, David King, Nathaniel Kane, James Somervell, George Curtis David Tew, William Dobson, William Espinasse, William Thwaites, Robert Borrowes, John Jennings, Edward Slicer.

[22.] William Walker and Caspar White, late Sheriffs, are appointed masters of the city works for the ensuing year. Masters of works.

m. 6. [23.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee for making the Bason more convenient had City Bason. Committee.

1726-7. made their report of the 15th of December, 1726, which report is as followeth: Roll xx. m. 6.

Report. 'We, the committee to whom the contents of the within petition were referred, have taken the same into our consideration, and are of opinion that the present City Bason. main from the City Bason is not sufficient to supply the three pipes of six inch bore, and therefore that the same Pipes. only supply two pipes, and that a new main be made to Timber. supply one other pipe of proper timber. We think it James' street. necessary that a water-house be made in James' street, without the gate, to be eight in the clear, the same to be made as tight as possible and a proper height. We have Bolton. likewise considered the annexed letter of Mr. Bolton, and have come to an agreement with him for a quantity of straight and sound elm timber for pipes, to be delivered in the Artillery yard near Oxmantown Green, at £4 per Timber. tun; that none of said timber is to be cut shorter than Measurement. 12 feet in length, nor less than 8 inches diameter at the Custom of city. small end, and to be measured according to the custom of this city, girthed in the middle, and each tun to contain 50 solid feet, the said Mr. Bolton to be paid for the same on delivery thereof: all which we submit, this 15th December, 1720:

'William Empson.—Philip Pearson.—George Forbes.—Thomas Bolton.—Paul Espinasse:'

And the said commons, praying to confirm and report and make the same an act of assembly: ordered that the committee's report be and is hereby confirmed, and that Commons. the committee be continued, and that the commons do name new commoners instead of those that are not now of the commons.

[24.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office. Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 20th January, 1726-7:

Report. 'In our report of the last assembly we gave your Frames. honours an account of 13 frames which were set down Storms. last season, which frames have weathered all the storms

Roll xx. m. 6. that have happened since, except one frame which went adrift, but have not lost one pile of them, and as soon as the season will permit we will give directions to have it fixed in its proper place. 1726-7.

'We likewise acquainted your honours that we were graving and repairing our gabbards and floats. We have graved six gabbards and one float, and would have gone on in repairing the rest but by reason of the short days and bad weather have deferred the graving of them till good weather and the days grow longer: Ordered to proceed as the season permits. Gabbards. Weather. Graving.

'We have since last assembly received from Mr. Gibton 82 pieces of oak timber, containing 22 tuns 3 feet, at 50s. per tun, amounting to £55 4s., and have paid him, in part, £43 18s. 1½d. Oak. Timber.

'There are 222 pieces of oak timber in the yard at Ringsend, which will enable us to carry on the necessary work of framing when the season will permit:'

Ordered to proceed as the season permits, and that the commons name new commoners instead of Mr. Corker and Mr. Taylor, who are not of the commons: William Walker, Richard Grattan. Commons.

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours:

'Thomas Curtis.—John Porter.—Peter Verdoen.—Percival Hunt. — William Aldrich. — James Somervell.—Gilbert King.—David Chaigneau.'

m. 6 b. An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 22nd July, 1726-7, inclusive, to the 20th January, 1726[-7], exclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To balance given into last Midsummer assembly	829	14	1½
To cash received of ships, etc., from July 22nd, 1726, inclusive, to the 14th October following, exclusive	781	4	7
To cash received of ships, etc., from said 14th October, inclusive, to the 20th January following, exclusive	670	11	11
	£2,281	10	7½

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Per contra, Cr.

	£	s.	d.
Ballast Office. By sundry disbursements on the Office account from July 22nd, 1726, inclusive, to the 14th October, exclusive	574	5	0
By do., from the said 14th October, inclusive, to 20th January following, exclusive	776	10	0
By Balance	930	15	0
	£2,281	10	0

N.B.—Where the above balance lies:

In the hands of Burton and Co., as per receipts ...	470	0	0
Cash in the Office	29	19	0
In the hands of Mr. Pearson	430	16	0
	£930	15	0

Declaration. Declaration and signatures. m. 9.

Franchise. Admissions to franchise. m. 10

1726-7. February 20.

Burrowes. Bloxham. Toll corn. [1.] Robert Burrowes, setting forth that by the death of Mr. Edward Bloxham, the employ of overseer of the collectors of the City Toll Corn is become vacant, and therefore prayed to be admitted into said employ: granted during the city's pleasure, at the usual salary of thirty pounds per annum, to commence the first of February inst. m. 6 b.

Salary.

Higgins. Tucker. Sheriffs officer. [2.] Richard Higgins, setting forth that by the death of Henry Tucker the place of one of the Sheriffs' officers is become vacant, and therefore prayed to be admitted into said employ: granted during the city's pleasure, giving security as usual. m. 5.

War. [3.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that there being apprehensions of a war with Great Britain, they conceived it necessary to shew the inclinations of his majesty's loyal subjects of this city, and therefore prayed that Mr. Recorder do prepare an address to be presented to his majesty on that occasion: whereupon it was granted.

Recorder. Address.

1726-7. February 28.

Certain of the commons, setting forth that pursuant to order of the assembly of the 20th of February instant,

Roll xx. m. 5. Mr. Recorder hath prepared an address to his majesty, which is hereto annexed, and therefore prayed that the same do stand the address of this city to be put under the city seal and presented to their excellencies the lords justices in order to be transmitted to his majesty: whereupon it was granted: 1726-7. Recorder. Address.

'To the king's most excellent majesty:

'The humble address of the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, commons and citizens of the city of Dublin, in common council assembled:

'Most gracious sovereign:

'We, your majesty's most loyal and faithful subjects, humbly beg leave to express our dutiful sense of your majesty's continual care in securing the undoubted privileges and commerce of your people and the tranquillity of Europe against the unjust and ungrateful attempt of those powers who have grown formidable by your majesty's friendship, and the blood and treasure of your subjects. Address to George I.

'We see with pleasure the check your majesty has given to their ambition, by the wisdom of your councils, the terror of your fleets, and the strength of your alliances; and those who have entered into engagements against these nations may be convinced that they can form no scheme so secret as to escape your majesty's vigilance, and that as oft as they project invasions of Invasions.
m. 5 b. your majesty's dominions, they will be reduced to a necessity of defending their own.

'The wise and prudent disposition of your naval forces, by which your majesty has been able to disconcert the measures formed and carried on against the peace and repose of your realms, and to render the treasures of the Indies altogether useless to those powers who had Indies. entered into treaties destructive to the liberties of Europe, must satisfy the world how vain their projects are who, contrary to the most solemn treaties, and in violation of Naval forces.

1726-7. Address to George I. the highest obligations, have invaded the rights and privileges of your people in the most important branches of their commerce, and peremptorily demanded the restitution of Gibraltar and the Island of Minorca, indisputably belonging to the Crown of Great Britain. Roll xx. m. 5 b.

Gibraltar. Minorca.

'We, who are at this distance, find your majesty's goodness as extensive as other nations have found your power, and who have in remembrance the evil and destructive effects of Popery and arbitrary power more severely felt by us of this kingdom than by the rest of our fellow subjects, beg leave to assure your majesty that we are animated with the utmost zeal for your service, and have the greatest abhorrence and detestation of every attempt that shall be made in favour of the Pretender, and that we shall, upon all occasions, be ready with our lives and fortunes to defend your majesty's person and Government, and the succession in your royal house, as the only security of our happy constitution both in Church and State.

Roman Catholics.

Pretender.

'In testimony whereof we have caused the common seal of the said city to be hereto affixed, this 28th day of February, 1726[-7].

City seal.

1727. 1727. April 14.—Second Friday after Easter.[1] m. 14.

Archbishop of Dublin. [1.] His grace William,[2] lord archbishop of Dublin, setting forth that the number of inhabitants of the parish of New Saint Michan's[3] is so much increased, that no one church is capacious enough to receive the number of inhabitants; and therefore prayed such a quantity of the Little Green as will be sufficient to build a church on: which was referred to a committee, who made the following report:

Parish of New St. Michan's.

'We, the committee appointed to consider the within memorial of his grace the lord archbishop of Dublin, have viewed and surveyed part of the Little Green, adjoining

Little Green.

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[1] Easter day, 2 April, 1727. [2] *See* page 141. [3] *See* vol. vi., p. xv.

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Sir Standish Hartstong's holding, and, by a survey thereof hereto annexed, have laid out as much ground as will be convenient and necessary to build a church on; and as the building a church there will tend to the service of God and the public good, we are of opinion that a piece of ground, part of the said Green on the north end thereof, be granted in fee farm by the city to the memorialist to build a church on, at 2s. 6d. per annum rent, the same containing in the front to King's street 130 feet, in depth from King's street to the south on the east side 144 feet, from thence to the west 120 feet to Hartstong street, and from thence to the north to King's street 80 feet, leaving Hartstong street on the west side 25 feet wide, and leaving a street on the east side running to the south from King's street 35 feet wide, as by the said map may more particularly appear: all which we submit to your honours, this 17th of March, 1726[-7]:

1727. Sir Standish Hartstong. Church. King's street. Hartstong street.

'William Empson.—Philip Pearson.—Thomas How.—Thomas Bolton.—William Quayle.—Thomas Pleasant.—Joseph Kane.—John Stoyte.—William Walker.—William Philpott.—John Sican:

And his grace, praying to confirm said report, and make the same an act of assembly: granted: the committee's report confirmed, and that leases be drawn as Mr. Recorder shall advise; and in regard the Bradoge runs through part of said ground designed for a church, that the same be turned, covered and arched by those who may be appointed overseers for building said church, so that the same be no expense to the city, and that a covenant be inserted in the deed to that purpose, and that a proper seat be reserved in said church for the use of the Lord Mayor and citizens.

Bradoge river. Lord Mayor. Citizens.

[2.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that a quantity of elm timber hath been agreed for to complete the city's pipes, but the same not being sufficient, they apprehend that round red fir, with the bark on, of proper dimensions, will be lasting and serviceable for the said

Elm timber. Water pipes. Red fir.

1727. City Bason. purpose; wherefore it was referred to the committee for making the City Bason more useful for conveying water to the inhabitants thereof, and that the said committee receive proposals and agree for 200 tuns of round straight fir timber, with bark on, to be delivered here for the uses in the petition mentioned, each piece thereof to be in length between 16 and 22 feet, and no piece less than 12 inches diameter at the smallest end, the expense of the said timber to be paid by the receiver general on the said committee's warrant, and allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Roll xx. m. 14. Dimensions.

[3.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee for auditing the city accounts had made their report of the 8th of April, instant, as also an abstract of the said accounts is hereto annexed, which report and abstract are as follow: Committee for City Accounts. m. 14 b.

Report. 'Pursuant to order of last assembly we, the committee appointed to audit the city accounts for one year, from the 25th March, 1726, inclusive, to the 25th March, 1727, exclusive, have perused and examined the same, and find that the receiver general observed the method[1] for accounting laid down Midsummer assembly, 1724. We do not find that as yet a new rent roll hath been made, as formerly ordered, by which means the charge on the treasury is not so exact as might be, and consequently liable to mistakes. We therefore recommend the making said rent roll in parchment with all convenient speed, and that the committee be continued to perfect the same. An abstract of the account is hereto annexed, which we refer to your honours, this 8th of April, 1727: Rent roll.

'William Empson.—Thomas How.—John Stoyte.—Thomas Bolton,—Anthony Barkey.—Thomas Curtis.—Henry Burrowes.—Peter Verdoen.—Percival Hunt.—Joseph Nuttall.—James Somervell.—Nathaniel Kane.—Richard Grattan.—Nathaniel Pearson.—John Sican.—Charles Ward.—William Blood.—Edward Slicer.'

[1] *See* page 263.

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[3 i.] 'The Treasurer of the city of Dublin: account for one year ending the 25th March, 1727:

	Dr.	£	s.	d.
To	balance of last account, ending 25th March, 1726	71	7	7½
„	arrears of rent due Michaelmas, 1725	636	0	0
„	amount of ancient revenue at Michaelmas, 1726	1991	13	1¾
„	amount of St. George's revenue at Michaelmas, 1726	40	10	0
„	amount of All Hallows' and All Saints' at Michaelmas, 1726	477	19	6
„	amount of St. Mary's Abbey and Thomas' Court	237	18	0
„	amount of houses and stables in New Hall market	222	10	0
„	amount of houses in Thomas street ...	54	10	0
„	amount of rents under Newgate ...	16	10	0
„	produce of Toll corn	1433	13	4
„	produce of the customs at the gates...	1008	5	11
„	produce of the three penny customs, per Mr. Norman	184	2	9
„	produce of the Petty customs in the markets	223	7	6½
„	rents and fines of the pipe water ...	1399	17	1
„	a year's rent of the mill at Dolphin's Barn	13	0	0
„	year's rent of a shed in the stable yard	3	0	0
„	two old horses sold at	1	1	8
„	produce of stable manure	3	0	0
„	grazing in the Workhouse fields ...	4	10	0
„	overpaid Whinery for the market-house	10	14	6
„	produce of the sallys [sallows] at the Bason	5	0	0
„	cash received from tenants in Butter lane...	10	0	0
„	fines of freemen, etc.	31	13	0
		£8080	4	0¾
To	balance due to the accountant from the city	1804	10	8½
		£9884	14	9¼

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Cr.	£	s.	d.
By salaries and payments	1897	19	0
„ gifts and alms	579	0	0
„ debts of the city	1288	0	1¾
„ casual expenses	4781	1	11½
„ lands waste	2	18	2
„ lands unknown	27	10	0
„ lands out of city's possession ...	37	17	0
„ arrears of rent due Michaelmas, 1726	681	12	6
„ Brooks and Totty	70	0	0
„ allowance of half a year's rent abated the City Marshal, and other allowances	68	0	0
„ contingent charges to the treasurer ...	25	0	0
„ poundage for £851 1s 1½d., money paid, at 12d. per pound... ...	425	16	0
	£9884	14	9¼'

Com-mittee. Rent roll. And the said commons, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly, and that the committee be continued to make a new rent roll as reported: granted: the committee's report confirmed, and that said committee be continued to make a new rent roll. m 13.

Commons. Meetings. Numbers. [4.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that by reason of due notice not being left with the commons, a sufficient number have been frequently wanting to make a full house: whereupon it was ordered that necessary summonses be printed by the city printer, according to the prayer of the above petition, at the city's expense.

Repairs. Hall. Sheriffs. Commons. [5.] Certain of the commons, praying that the sum of £14 2s. be paid by the treasurer for some repairs made in the hall where the Sheriffs and commons hold their assemblies: whereupon it was granted.

Latouche. Castle street. Wybrants. [6.] David Latouche, merchant, setting forth that last assembly a lease was granted to him by this city of some ground in Castle street, part of which was formerly demised to alderman Daniel Wybrants, for a long term of years, having purchased the remainder of said term from

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Edward Haines and George Felster, representatives of the heirs of said alderman Wybrants, and said Haines having mislaid said lease hinders your petitioner to surrender the same, and therefore prayed that the city would accept of his bond to indemnify the city, and to order that said lease might be perfected to him pursuant to the order of last assembly: granted, on Mr. Latouche and his son's entering into bonds of £500 to indemnify the city from the executors or representatives of Daniel Wybrants, alderman, deceased. 1727. Haines. Felster.

[7.] Lettice Usher, widow, setting forth that this city, by indenture bearing date the 22nd day of July, 1709, did demise to William Usher, esquire, her late husband, a parcel of land called the Forty acres, near Donnabrooke, in the county of the city of Dublin, containing 47 acres and 12 perches, for and during the natural lives of said William Usher, Lettice Usher, his wife, and William Usher, junior, and such other persons as hereafter should be added, at £20 per annum rent for the first nine years, and £100 per annum afterwards; that said city, the 19th of January, 1710, did demise to said William Usher one void plot of ground in Cooke street for and during the lives of said William Usher, Lettice Usher, and William Usher, junior, and the lives of such other persons as hereafter should ever be added, at 30s. per annum for the first nine years, and £9 per annum afterwards, which said leases were renewed to said Mrs. Usher by inserting the name of Henry Usher instead of said William Usher, deceased; and therefore prayed to have said leases renewed to her son, the said William Usher, which was referred to Mr. Recorder, who made the following report: Usher. Donnybrook. Cooke street. Recorder.

'If Mrs. Usher has made no assignment of the leases within mentioned, which may appear in the register's office, nor any ways incumbered it, I do not see but that the city may, after her discharging all arrears to the time of the surrender, accept of a surrender from her and Report. Register's Office.

1727. grant a new lease to Mr. Usher, her son, of the demised premises under the like covenant and at the same rent:' Roll xx. m. 13.

Usher And the said Mrs. Usher praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: granted, according to the prayer of the petition, on Mrs. Usher making a proper affidavit that the leases recited in the above petition are not incumbered, and producing negative certificates from the register's office, pursuant to Mr. Recorder's opinion.

King. [8.] James King, setting forth that he is nephew and heir of Mr. James King, deceased, who had a grant of a Newgate. lease of some ground from this city, adjoining Newgate, which, by reason of his sickness and death, was not executed to him, and therefore prayed to have said lease executed to him: whereupon it was granted.

[9.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that two Stephen's Green. lots of ground on the south side of Stephen's Green being taken by the city to lay down the scavengers' loads Inhabitants. on, and complaint being made by the inhabitants of said Green of the great nuisances occasioned thereby, and therefore prayed that the said two lots and the rooms City Weigh-house. Wine-tavern street. over the city Weigh-house in Winetavern street be sold at public cant: whereupon it was ordered that the right honourable the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, treasurer, masters of the city works, aldermen Pleasant, Bolton and four of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any five of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs to be always two, be and are appointed a com- m. 13 b.
Sale. mittee to sell by cant the premises mentioned in the above petition in such manner as they shall think fit, and that they report their proceedings to the next assembly:

[The four of the commons:] George Curtis, William Hendrick, David Latouche, William Phillips.

[10.] Certain of the commons, praying that a cart be Malefactors. Execution made to carry malefactors to the place of execution at the city's charge: whereupon it was granted.

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1727. Wilkinson. Carts.

[11.] Joseph Wilkinson, one of the overseers of the city carts, praying to be considered for his past services: ordered that the receiver general, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner six pounds, sterling, as a gift, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Williams.

[12.] William Williams, one of the overseers of the city carts, praying to be considered for his past services: ordered that the receiver general, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner, as a gift, the sum of six pounds, sterling, and the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Sinclair. Corn Market House.

[13.] John Sinclair, praying to be considered for his service at the Corn Market House: granted that the petitioner be paid the sum of fifteen pounds by the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, which sum is to be paid the petitioner in full of all his extraordinary expenses in buying beams, etc., and that the sundry things charged in said account remain in the Market House, as the property and for the use of the city.

Assembly.

[14.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: granted.

Staples.

[15.] Elizabeth Staples, widow, praying that the lease granted to her by this city may be perfected to her son, William Fisher Staples: granted, according to the prayer of the petition.

Bloxham.

[16.] Mary Bloxham, widow, praying relief: ordered that the receiver general, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, do pay the petitioner the sum of six pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed on his accounts.

Stephen's Green. Coats.

[17.] The keepers of Stephen's Green, praying to have new watch coats: ordered that alderman Page provide watch coats for the petitioners against next winter, the expense to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Grosvenor. Poor widows.

[18.] Alice Grosvenor, widow, praying to be admitted one of the city poor widows: granted during the city's pleasure, at the annual allowance of three pounds, to commence from Easter last.

1727. Attornies. Tholsel court.

[19, 20.] Richard Hatfield and John Jacob, gentlemen, praying to be admitted attorneys of the Tholsel court: granted during city's pleasure. Roll xx. m. 13 b.

Ballast Office. Report.

[21.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly, April 14th, 1727:

'In our report of last assembly we acquainted your honours that one frame went adrift, but did not loose one pile. Since then we have caused it to be made anew, and is now fixed in its place and stands well, and all the other frames and piles have weathered the storms of the winter.

Graving.

'We likewise gave your honours an account that we had graved but six gabbards and one float, by reason of the short days and bad weather, but will now proceed in repairing the rest with all speed.

Timber.

'We have since last assembly bought from Mr. Gibton 61 pieces of timber, containing 16 tuns three quarters of a foot, at 50s. per tun, amounting to £40 15s. 10d., which is paid for.

Oak.

'We have also bought from Messieurs Montgomery and White 42 pieces of oak timber, containing 8 tuns 2 feet and a half, at 50s. per tun, amounting to £20 3s. 1d., which is paid for.

Polish timber.

'We acquainted your honours some time ago that we had agreed with Messieurs Montgomery and White for 640 pieces of Polish oak timber, and we are informed the said timber is shipped and daily expected, and when arrived shall, with all expedition, set about making m. 12. frames after the new model.

South Bull. Cock Lake. Frames. Piles.

'Forasmuch as the bank on the south side of the frames on the South Bull has not risen so much as might have been expected, on account of the great tide running through Cock Lake, nor will answer expectation until said Lake be stopped, in the meantime the frames, as well as the piles, will very much be endangered, or a constant expense attend the same: for preventing the ill consequence that may happen said work, our opinion is that

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when the floats and gabbards can be spared, that the same be employed in backing the frames with sand to be taken out of the channel, which not only will strengthen and secure the frames from any danger, but also in a little time prevent a great charge of furs, braces and workmanship that constantly have attended the said work, but that if two gabbards were either purchased or built, to be added to the number of our gabbards, to enable the performance of said work, as well the better to supply the shipping and other demands from the Office, and the rather they will then make but the number of gabbards that usually have belonged to said Office. 1727. Floats. Gabbards. Shipping.

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed.

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours.

'Thomas Curtis.—John Porter.—Peter Verdoen.—Percival Hunt.—James Somervell.—David Chaigneau.—William Aldrich.—Gilbert King.—William Walker.—Richard Grattan.—David Latouche.—John Vareilles.'

An abstract of the Ballast Office account from 20th January, 1726-[7], inclusive, to 14th April, 1727, exclusive.

Ballast Office, Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To balance given in to last assembly	930	15	8
To cash received since of ships, etc., from the 20th January, 1726[-7], inclusive, to the 14th April, 1727, exclusive	671	12	7
	£1602	8	3

Per contra, Cr.

	£	s.	d.
By sundry disbursements on account of the Office, from 21st January, 1726[-7], inclusive, to the 14th April, 1727, exclusive ...	568	8	6
By balance	1033	1	9
	£1602	8	3
N.B.—Of the above balance there lies in the hands of Burton and Co., as per receipts	£650	0	0

m. 15. Admissions to franchise. Franchise.

m. 16. Declaration and signatures. Declaration.

1727. 1727. April 30. Roll xx. m. 12 b.

Francis Stoyte. Francis Stoyte, esquire, barrister at law, setting forth that he is a freeman and inhabitant of this city, and the son of alderman John Stoyte, who had the honour of serving Lord Mayor of the same; that the Recordership of said city being vacant by the promotion of the right honourable John Rogerson, esquire, late Recorder, to be lord chief justice of his majesty's court of kings bench, and therefore prayed to be admitted into the station of Recorder: whereupon it was granted during the city's pleasure, with the usual salary, fees and perquisites.

Recordership. Rogerson.

1727. June 30.

Recorder. George II. [1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that Mr. Recorder had prepared an address to congratulate his majesty king George the second upon his accession to the throne of Great Britain, France and Ireland, and therefore prayed that the same stand [as] the address of this city, to be put under the city seal and transmitted to his majesty:

'To the king's most excellent majesty:

'The humble address of the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, commons, and citizens of the city of Dublin, in common council assembled:

Address to George II. 'We, your majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, humbly beg leave to congratulate your majesty's happy accession to the imperial crown of these kingdoms, and with all humility presume to condole with your majesty on the great and sudden loss sustained by the demise of our late most excellent sovereign, who was graciously pleased to show to our city signal marks of his royal favour and bounty. m. 11.

'Nothing could have moderated the extreme sorrow which affected us upon this sad occasion but the satisfaction we now receive in having a prince of such illustrious merit seated on his throne, a successor not only of his crown, but all his royal virtues, and from

Roll xx. m. 11. whose experienced goodness we promise ourselves all those invaluable blessings which can be expected from a just and wise administration. 1727. Address to George II.

'The agreeable prospect we have of the security of our religion, laws and liberties, and of the honour and prosperity of your kingdoms under your majesty's reign, creates in us a pleasure which only can be increased by reflecting that the number of your royal issue gives us a full assurance of the continuance of our happiness by a long succession of princes of your illustrious house to reign over us.

'We are truly sensible that it is not only our duty but our interest to devote our lives and fortunes to your majesty's service, since we cannot otherwise be secure of either than by supporting your undoubted right to the crown, and the establishment of it in your auspicious family, and we shall, with the utmost zeal, lay hold on all opportunities of distinguishing ourselves by making the most grateful returns of duty and affection to your sacred majesty:

'In testimony whereof we have caused the common seal of said city to be hereto affixed, this 30th day of June, 1727.'

[2.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that by reason of the sudden demise of his late majesty king George, the letters patents appointing all aldermen who have served in the office of Mayoralty, or fined for the same office, and those who hereafter shall serve in said office or fine for the same, immediately after such service or fine to be justices of the peace for the county of the city of Dublin, granted by his said late majesty, had not passed the great seal of this kingdom, and therefore prayed that according to a former act of assembly application be made to his present majesty for his royal letter to the same purpose: whereupon it was ordered that humble application be made to his majesty, in the name of the city, that he would be graciously Death of George I. Letters patent. Great seal. Application.

1727. Charter. Aldermen. Mayoralty. pleased to grant to this city a charter appointing all aldermen who have served in the office of Mayoralty, or fined for said office, and those who hereafter shall serve in said office or fine for the same, immediately after such service or fine to be justices of the peace for the county of the city of Dublin; that the same be applied for at the expense of this city in such manner as Mr. Recorder shall advise, the said expense to be paid by the treasurer and allowed on his accounts. Roll xx. m. 11.

Justices of peace.

[3.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that being sensible of the many services done by the late worthy Recorder,[1] and therefore prayed that he be desired to sit for his picture at the expense of the city, whereupon it was granted his picture to be drawn at length in his robes.

Recorder.

Picture.

1727. July 21.—Fourth Friday after 24 June. m. 18.

Archbishop of Dublin. [1.] His grace William, lord archbishop of Dublin, setting forth that the ground granted by the city for building a church on in the Little Green is not large enough for a church and churchyard, and therefore prayed for that of the Little Green on the north side of sir Standish Hartstong's holding for the aforesaid use: whereupon it was ordered that the remainder of the city ground reserved by the within map for the use of the city be likewise set in fee farm (with the ground for a church) to the memorialist for a churchyard, the said ground so laid out to be for a church and churchyard, and for no other use whatsoever, and that leases of the whole be perfected for the aforesaid use, as Mr. Recorder shall advise, with the clauses agreeable to the last act of assembly on this occasion, at the yearly rent of 2s. 6d., to commence Michaelmas next.

Church

Little Green.

Hartstong.

Ground.

Church-yard.

Leases.

[2.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that there is a considerable sum of money due to the city from the executors of alderman Surdevill, and therefore prayed

Debt to City.

Surdevill.

[1] Sir John Rogerson. *See* p. 388.

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that the same may be recovered in such manner as Mr. Recorder shall advise: whereupon it was granted. 1727.

[3.] George Robinson, Ann, his wife, and William Court, setting forth that the city, by indenture bearing date the 18th day of July, 1712, did demise to John Mercer and Mary Kemys, widow, a parcel of the Strand at the back of Lazy Hill, for and during the lives of said Mary Kemys, John Mercer and Joseph Mercer, sons of said John Mercer, with a clause of renewing the same for ever, on payment of half a year's rent on fall of every life, and at the annual rent of three pounds, sterling; that by mesne conveyances said lease came to the hands of Luke Gardiner, esquire: by one or more declaration of trust under his hand and seal it appears that one part of the premises called Mercer's Dock was purchased by him for the use of William Alcock, gentleman, and also a full moiety of the remainder of said ground and premises; that said Alcock enjoyed the same till the time of his death, and by his will appointed Patrick Lattin, Michael Moore, Richard Leigh, and William Alcock, executors, and said Lattin and Moore, as pretended creditors of the testator, possessed themselves of his part of the premises, and said Ann Robinson and William Court, being heirs at law to said Alcock and intituled to his share, who, together with said George Robinson, exhibited their bill in the high court of chancery against said Lattin and Moore, and on a full hearing the lord chancellor decreed the possession of the premises to the petitioners; that Diana Kemys, one of the lives in the lease of lives, is lately dead, and they therefore prayed that the life of Ann Robinson be inserted instead of [that of] said Diana Kemys, deceased: whereupon it was granted as Mr. Recorder shall advise.

Robinson. Court. Mercer. Kemys. Strand. Lazy Hill. Luke Gardiner. Mercer's Dock. Alcock. Executors. Lattin. Moore. Chancery

[4.] Certain of the commons, setting forward that William O'Neill, one of the officers at mace, having expressed several undecent words relating to the Lord Mayor and board of aldermen in general, and therefore

O'Neill, officer at mace.

1727. Suspension. prayed that said O'Neill be suspended from his said employ: whereupon it was granted. Roll xx. m. 18 b.

Higgins. Mace. [5.] Richard Higgins, praying that a mace be provided for him: whereupon it was ordered that a mace be provided for the petitioner at the city's expense, and that he and the rest of the officers at mace do, within ten days Security. from the date hereof, give sufficient security such as the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs shall approve of, for the redelivery of their maces when required by the city, otherwise such officers at mace to be suspended from their employments.

George Derry. [6.] George Derry, clerk, setting forth that he hath at several times visited the sick persons confined in the city Marshalsea. Marshalsea, and therefore prayed to be considered: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver general, on Payment. the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner £20, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

City adjutants. [7.] Gilbert Kennedy, Rowland Parker, Mathew Bowen, and Richard West, city adjutants, praying to be considered for their past services: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver general, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, Payment. pay the petitioners the sum of £20, sterling, videlicet, £5 to each, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Foxall. [8.] Grace Foxall, praying to be relieved; whereupon it was ordered that the petitioner be admitted one of the city Poor widows. poor widows at £3 per annum, instead of Elizabeth Smith, deceased, to be paid by half yearly payments during the city's pleasure, to commence from Midsummer last.

Jones. [9.] Joseph Jones, praying relief: ordered that the receiver general, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the Grant. petitioner £6, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Vizer. [10.] Edward Vizer, praying relief: ordered that the receiver general of the city revenues do pay the petitioner Grant. £6, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Ferguson. Exchange [11.] William Ferguson, late porter of the Exchange,

Roll xx. m. 18 b. praying relief: ordered that the receiver general, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner £4 per annum, the same to be paid half-yearly and to commence from midsummer last. 1727. Payment.

[12.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: granted. Assembly.

[13.] John Hawkins, praying to be considered for his past services: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner £10, sterling, in full for his past services, the same to be allowed on his accounts. John Hawkins. Grant.

[14, 15.] Abraham Maddock and John Burnaby, gentlemen, praying to be admitted attornies of the city court: granted, during the city's pleasure. Attornies. City court.

[16.] James Socksmith, praying to be admitted porter of the Exchange: whereupon it was granted, during the city's pleasure, with the usual salary. Porter. Exchange.

The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly of the 21st July, 1727: Ballast Office.

'Since our report of last assembly we have received from Messieurs Montgomery and White 418 pieces of Polish oak timber, containing 115 tuns and a half foot, amounting to £375 0s. 2d., which is paid for, being but part of their contract, so that there yet remains undelivered 222 pieces, which timber is shipped and daily expected. Report. Polish oak.

m. 17. 'We have proceeded in making frames after the new model, and shall give proper directions to have them carried down with all expedition as soon as the gut at the east end of the frames is filled up:' Ordered to proceed. Frames. New model.

'We have likewise, according to your honours' orders, contracted with Mr. William Ware, shipwright, for building two new gabbards about 40 tuns each, for workmanship, of which he is to have 16s. per tun, and proper care shall be taken that the gabbards shall be finished according to agreement. Shipwright. Gabbards.

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'This being a proper season, we are now repairing the rest of our gabbards, of which two are finished, and shall proceed in getting the rest done as soon as possible: ordered to proceed. Roll xx. m. 17.

'We have also bought from Messieurs Montgomery and White 300 of two-inch plank, containing 18 tuns and a-half, at 45s. per tun, amounting to £91 0s. 2d., and Timber. 151 pieces of flooring timber for the frames, containing 17 tuns 4 feet, at 33s. per tun, amounting to £28 4s. 3d., all which is paid for.

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours:

'Thomas Curtis.—Peter Verdoen.—Joseph Nuttall.—Percival Hunt.—William Walker.—Richard Grattan.—David Latouche.—John Vareilles.—Caspar White.'

An abstract of the Ballast Office account from the 14th of April, 1727, inclusive, to the 21st July following, exclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.
To balance given into last assembly	1033	19	9
To cash received since of ships, etc., from 14th April, 1727, inclusive, to the 21st July following, exclusive	1149	18	3
	£2183	18	0

Per contra, Cr.	£	s.	d.
By sundry disbursements on account of the Office, from the 15th April, 1727, inclusive, to the 21st July following, exclusive ...	1220	15	2
By balance	963	2	10
N.B.—Of the above balance there lies in the hands of Burton and Co.	£804	0	0

Franchise. Admissions to franchise. m. 19.

Declaration. Declaration and signatures. m. 20.

1727. August 25.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that by act of Midsummer assembly, 1726, a back wall was ordered to be erected on the north side of the river Liffey to preserve the front wall built by the city, and that the space between the two walls be equal to the Quay at the end m. 17 b.

Liffey. Walls. Quay.

Roll xx. m. 17 b.

of said ground and the same be filled up, and therefore prayed to order the committee of directors of the Ballast Office do cause the back wall to be erected and said ground to be filled up and the expense thereof to be repaid them by the city: whereupon it was ordered that the back wall be built pursuant to former act of assembly, and that the committee of directors of the Ballast Office pay the expense thereof, which is to be repaid by the city to said Office. 1727. Ballast Office.

[2.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the city have occasion for a sum of money in order to pay for a quantity of timber that is daily expected for the use of the city pipe water, and therefore prayed that the sum of five hundred pounds, sterling, be borrowed from the Blue Coat Hospital at reasonable interest: whereupon it was ordered that the said sum of five hundred pounds, sterling, be borrowed from the Blue Coat Hospital, and that a bond be perfected under the city seal for the same to Bartholomew Wybrants, gentleman, in trust for said Hospital, the said sum to be borrowed at six per cent. Money. Timber. Pipe water. Loan. Blue Coat Hospital. Wybrants.

[3.] William O'Neill, setting forth that by order of last assembly he was suspended from his employ as officer at mace, and therefore prayed to be restored to his said employ: ordered that the petitioner's suspension be taken off, and he restored to his employ as formerly. O'Neill, officer at mace.

[4.] William Meakins, setting forth that the place of one of the city music is become vacant by the death of Mr. FitzGerald, deceased, and therefore prayed to be admitted into said employ: granted, during city's pleasure. Meakins. City Music. Fitzgerald.

m. 15. Admissions to franchise. Franchise.

m. 16. Declaration and signatures. Declaration.

m. 22. 1727. October 20.—Third Friday after 29 September.

Lord Mayor: Nathaniel Whittwell; Sheriffs: Henry Daniel and Richard Grattan.

1727. [1.] Robert Fortune clerk to the right honourable the Lord Mayor, setting forth that his Lordship, being elected into the Mayoralty of this city, hath been at great expense to support the dignity of the same, and therefore prayed the usual allowance: ordered that the treasurer do, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay to the petitioner, for the use of his Lordship, the sum of five hundred pounds, sterling, one moiety at Christmas next and the other moiety at midsummer next, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Roll xx. m. 22.

Mayoralty. Expense. Payment.

Empson, Lord Mayor. [2.] Said Robert Fortune, clerk to alderman William Empson, late Lord Mayor, setting forth that the burthen of the office of Lord Mayor is much greater than heretofore, and attended with much greater expense than formerly, and therefore prayed an augmentation for said alderman Empson's use: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, do pay the petitioner for the late Lord Mayor's use the sum of four hundred pounds, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Augmentation. Payment.

Gonne. Town Clerk. [3.] Thomas Gonne, Town Clerk, setting forth that Phillip Pearson, merchant, and Thomas How, alderman, late Sheriffs, ever since they undertook said office, have been at great expense, and their time wholly taken up in discharging the same, and therefore prayed the usual allowance for the use of the said late Sheriffs: ordered that the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay petitioner for the said Sheriffs' use £200, sterling, videlicet, £100 to each, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Sheriffs. Allowance.

Archbishop of Dublin. [4.] His grace William, lord archbishop[1] of Dublin, setting forth that deeds were ordered to be made to him of ground to build a church on, and for a churchyard, and therefore prayed that said deeds be made pursuant to former act of assembly: whereupon it was granted.

Church.

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[1] *See* page 141.

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[5.] Edmund Weld and alderman Nathaniel Kane, executors of Joseph Kane, alderman, deceased, setting forth that the city granted to said Joseph Kane, in his life time, a lease of some ground on the Hill in Oxmantown Green, which lease has not yet been perfected, and therefore prayed that the same be perfected to said executors: whereupon it was granted. 1727. Weld. Kane. Hill. Oxmantown Green.

[6.] Robert Fortune, clerk to the commissioners of array, praying to be considered for his attendance on said commissioners: whereupon it was ordered that the treasurer do pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the sum of £10, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Commissioners of array.

[7.] Bartholomew Wybrants, setting forth that he acts as clerk of the commons, and therefore prayed to be considered for the same: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver general of the city revenues, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner £10, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Wybrants, Clerk of Commons.

m. 22 b.

[8.] John Jones and Augustin Thwaites, water-bailiffs, praying to be continued in their employs: granted during city's pleasure. Water-bailiffs.

[9.] John Hawkins, keeper of Newgate, praying to be continued in his employ; granted during city's pleasure. Hawkins. Newgate.

[10.] Greenwood Hanna, John Smith, Francis M'Cann, William Justus, Robert Goodwin and Matthew Wrightson, officers at mace, praying to be continued in their several employments: granted during city's pleasure. Officers at mace.

[11.] John Reilly, Thomas Mozly, William O'Neill, and Richard Higgins, Sheriffs' officers, praying to be continued in their several employments: granted during city's pleasure. Sheriffs' officers.

[12.] Silvanus Pepyat, city stationer and printer, having formerly prayed that a committee might be appointed to examine his accounts, which was accordingly referred to a committee, who made the following report: Silvanus. Pepyat.

1727. Report. 'We, the within committee, have examined the contents of the within petition, as also the petitioner's account, which is hereto annexed, and amounts to £124 13s. 3d.; we find the said account to be regularly proved, and are of opinion that the petitioner be paid in full of said account the said sum of £124 13s. 3d., in full for printing work and stationery ware delivered by him for the city use to this time, which is submitted, this 22nd September, 1727;

Roll xx. m. 22 b.

'William Empson.—Thomas How.—Thomas Bolton.—William Philpot.—E. Dobson:'

And the said Silvanus Pepyat praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver general of the city revenues do pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the sum of £124 13s. 3d., pursuant to the committee's report, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Ramsey, City Surveyor. [13.] James Ramsey, city surveyor, setting forth that by order of the right honourable the Lord Mayor and several committees he was obliged to draw maps and make several surveys, and therefore prayed to be considered for his said services, which was referred to a committee, who made the following report:

Maps. Surveys.

Report. 'We, the above committee, have examined the petitioner's account, which is hereto annexed, and are of opinion that he be paid in full, for his services done for the city to this time, the sum of £15, sterling, which we submit to your honours, this 31st August, 1727:

'William Empson.—Thomas How.—John Porter.—Humphrey French. — William Thwaites. — Nicholas Grueber.—Thomas Sherrard:'

And the said James Ramsey, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: ordered that the receiver general of the city revenues, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner £15, sterling, according to the committee's report, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Payment.

Roll xx. m. 22.

[14.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: granted. 1727. Assembly.

[15, 16, 17.] Edward Butler, Richard Hall and Richard Boland, gentlemen, praying to be admitted attornies of the Tholsel court: granted during the city's pleasure. Attornies. Tholsel court.

[18.] William Williams and Joseph Wilkinson, overseers of the city carts, praying consideration for their past service: ordered that the receiver general do pay the petitioners, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, £12, sterling, videlicet, £6 to each, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Overseers of City carts.

m. 21.

[19.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee for management of the city pipe water have made their report of the 19th day of October, instant, which report is as followeth: Pipe water. revenue.

'We, the committee appointed for the management of the city pipe water, do find that Mr. Darling hath been very diligent in collecting the pipe water revenue, and he hath settled of the arrears of Mr. Ormsby's district, videlicet, £5, which was abated for waste houses, and £4 for three pipes cut, which, deducted out of the former arrears of £35 10s., there remains £26 10s. Committee. Report.

'We likewise find that Mr. Darling hath settled of the arrears of Mr. Sisson's district, videlicet, £2, which was abated for waste houses, and £3 for two pipes cut, which deducted out of the former arrears of £30 5s. there remains £25 10s. We likewise find in Mr. Darling's district of arrears still standing out, £4.

'We are further to inform your honours that we are of opinion Mr. Darling may have a discretionary power given him to settle said old arrears by reason several houses being waste, and moving tenants, which makes the growing rent more desperate, therefore we are of opinion the said arrears may be quite struck off in case said Darling cannot receive any part thereof, in order to secure the growing rent, which will be the only means to avoid any further arrears.

1727. Report on Pipe water revenue.

'We likewise find that Mr. Darling hath received of the pipe water money from 12th July, 1727, to the 12th October, 1727, £125 18s. 4d.; and that Mr. Darling hath paid alderman Page £107 10s. 7d., which, with £6 5s. 9d. for poundage, £6 15s. for nine concealed branches discovered, and rewards, £1 2s. for nailing up the brass numbered tickets on the persons' houses that have pipe water, and four pounds five shillings for change which said Darling disbursed on account of said collection, which makes the above sum of £125 18s. 4d., being the balance, which account is returned upon oath by said Darling: Roll xx. m. 21.

'We do likewise find that Mr. Darling hath received of the whole year's rent and arrears due November last the sum of £1,649 11s. 8d., which he hath discharged, being the close of his account for one whole year due and ended November, 1726:

'We likewise find that 1724 brass numbered tickets are fixed on persons' houses that have pipe water, out of which there are since cut 29 pipes that would not pay, which deduct out of 1724 pipes, there remain 1695, with the new branches included:

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours, this 19th day of October, 1727;

'Nathaniel Whittwell. — Henry Daniell. — Anthony Barkey.—George Forbes.—Joseph Nuttall.—David King. —Vincent Kidder.—David Tew'

And the said commons, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: ordered that the committee's report be confirmed and the committee continued.

Ballast Office.

[20.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly, 20th October, 1727:

Report.

'Pursuant to your honours' orders of last Midsummer

Frames.

assembly, we have proceeded in making of frames after the new model, and have this season finished seven frames,

Weather.

containing four hundred feet in length, but the weather

Roll xx. m. 21. having been so excessive bad that we could not set any more than three frames, but as soon as the weather allows will give directions to carry down the rest:' Ordered to proceed as the season permits. 1727.

m. 21 b. 'The season of the year is now far advanced and the days become short; we are therefore of opinion that the making more frames be deferred till a more favourable season, but that we immediately proceed in securing the frames already laid down by filling and backing:' Ordered to proceed as the committee shall think proper.

'We acquainted your honours that we had agreed with Mr. Ware for building our two new gabbards, one of which is finished, and the other will likewise be done with all expedition. Gabbards.

'We have also, according to your honours' orders, repaired several of our gabbards and floats, and the last is now at the carpenters'.

'We have lately agreed with Mr. Clenaghan for furnishing the Office for one year with good large building stones at tenpence half-penny per tun, the season and weather not permitting to bring the same from the Black Rock. Stones. Price. Black Rock.

'We have bought from alderman Peter Verdoen thirty five pieces of oak timber, containing 6 tuns 28 feet, at £3 5s. per tun, amounting to £21 15s. 6d., and 140 planks, containing 16 tuns 20 feet, at 40s. per tun, amounting to £33, all which is paid for. Oak.

'We farther are to acquaint your honours that the abstract last laid before the Government and council, ending the first of November, 1725, was examined by a committee of council, but by reason some small mistakes has been committed by the Ballast-master's clerk, Mr. Trydell, and even to his prejudice the same abstract was returned to the Office, which since has been mended and returned back to the Council Office: Accounts. Government.

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours:

1727. 'Thomas Curtis.—John Porter.—Peter Verdoen.—Percival Hunt.—Jos. Nuttall.—James Somervell.—David Chaigneau.—David Latouche.—John Vareilles.' Roll xx. m. 21 b.

Ballast Office. An abstract of the Ballast Office account from the 21st July, 1727, inclusive, to the 20th October following, exclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To balance given into last assembly	962	2	10
To cash received since of ships, etc., from the 21st July, 1727, inclusive to the 28th October following, exclusive	659	0	2
	£1621	3	0

Per contra, Cr.

	£	s.	d.
By sundry disbursements on account of the Office, from the 21st July, 1727, inclusive, to the 20th October following, exclusive ..	988	14	5
By Balance	632	8	7
	£1621	3	0
N.B.—Of the above balance there lies in the hands of Burton and Co.	200	0	0
Lent the city of Dublin, as per alderman Forbes' drafts	150	0	0
	£350	0	0

Franchise. Admissions to franchise.

Declaration. Declaration and signatures. m. 23. m. 24.

1727-8. 1727-8. January 19.—Fourth Friday after 25th December, 1727. m. 27.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that this city is bound in duty to testify their affection to their Pictures. majesties, and therefore prayed that the pictures of their George II. said majesties king George the second and his royal Queen Caroline. consort, queen Caroline, be drawn at length and fixed in Tholsel. the Tholsel of this city amongst [those of] the rest of their royal predecessors: whereupon it was ordered that the right honorable the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, treasurer, alderman Quayle, alderman Curtis, and four of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any five of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs to be Committee. always two, be and are appointed a committee to agree Mitchell. with and direct Mr. Michael Mitchell to draw the said pictures in one frame, in such manner as their late

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majesties king William and queen Mary are drawn and now fixed: 1727-8. Portraits.

[The four of the commons:] Mr. Aldrich, Mr. Latouche, Mr. Archer, Mr. Sidebottom.

[2.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the cleansing and deepening the river Liffey, on which the trade and welfare of this city in a great measure depend, and therefore prayed that directions be given for the more effectual cleansing and deepening said river: whereupon it was ordered that whensoever the gabbards belonging to the Ballast Office are not employed in the service of shipping with ballast, that such other ballast as shall be taken up more than serves the shipping, that the same shall be thrown out by the gabbard men on the North Quay, in order to fill up the same as far as Ringsend point. Liffey. Cleansing. Deepening. Shipping. Ringsend.

[3.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that by order of assembly of the 25th of August last, the back wall of the Quay fronting the Strand belonging to this honourable city, adjoining the Strand granted to the proprietors on the east end, to Mr. Thompson's Dock on the west, is near finished, but by reason that the Committee of Directors of the Ballast Office, who proposed to lend money to the city to defray the expense of said work, are now out of cash, the same is not carried on with the success expected: whereupon it was ordered the receiver general do from time to time supply alderman Pleasant and alderman Forbes with such sums of money as shall be necessary for carrying on and completing the said work, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Quay. Strand. Dock. Ballast Office. Receiver-general.

[4.] Phillip Pearson, merchant, and alderman Thomas How, late Sheriffs, setting forth that it hath been usual for the Sheriffs of this city annually to collect six pence per house by the name of Land Gabel money, towards the support of their office, which was, by order of Michaelmas Assembly, 1721, remitted for the future, and that the Sheriffs have a consideration in lieu thereof, and therefore Pearson. How. Sheriffs. Land Gabel.

1727-8. prayed consideration in lieu of said Land Gabel money: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver general, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioners £30, sterling, videlicet, £15 to each, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Roll xx. m. 27.

Payment.

Viscount Palmerston. [5.] Henry, lord viscount Palmerston, setting forth that this [city], by indenture bearing date the 13th day of April, 1711, demised to him, then Henry Temple, esquire, a piece of ground in Oxmantown, bound on the east with the road between the Duke of Ormonde's ground, and on the said ground on the west with the Deer Park wall, on the north with the road between the said Hill and Grange Gorman Lane, and on the south with the high road leading from the city of Dublin to the Deer Park along the river Liffy, containing two acres, two roods and thirty-one perches, for and during the natural lives of John Sherigly, Henry Proby and Richard Pilkington, at the yearly rent of five pounds per annum, and two pounds ten shillings on the fall of every life: and Henry Proby, one of the lives, being lately dead, prayed that the life of Narcissus Proby be added as a life instead of said Henry Proby, deceased: whereupon it was granted. m. 27 b.

Temple.

Oxmantown.

Ormonde.

Deer Park.

Grange Gorman.

Liffey.

Sherigly. Proby. Pilkington.

Kirkwood. [6.] Ann Kirkwood, widow of Thomas Kirkwood, deceased, setting forth that her said husband had the honour to serve as Sheriff of this city, but, by many misfortunes in trade, left her and her family in low circumstances, and therefore prayed a yearly allowance: ordered that the petitioner be paid ten pounds per annum during the city's pleasure, by half yearly payments, to commence from Christmas last, and that she be paid ten pounds at present on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Allowance.

Assembly. [7.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: whereupon it was granted.

Auditors. [8.] Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, aldermen Bolton, Wilkinson, Curtis, Porter, Verdoen, Hunt, Pearson, How, Kane,

Roll xx. m. 27 b.

and eighteen of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any nine of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs to be always two, are appointed auditors of the city accounts for the last year according to the committee's report of the 22nd June, 1724: 1727-8. Auditors.

[The eighteen of the commons:] William Aldrich, Vincent Kidder, William Aston, William Philpott, Benjamin Archer, William Walker, William Hendrick, George Cholmondley, John Chamney, David Tew, John Twigg, William Espinasse, Joseph Sidebottom, William Barry, Richard Walker, John Bradshaw, Martin Billing, John Eakins. Commons.

[9.] Phillip Pearson and alderman Thomas How, late Sheriffs, are elected masters of the city works for the ensuing year. City works.

[10.] William Baker, praying to be considered for his past services: ordered that the receiver general of the city revenues do pay the petitioner £6, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Baker.

[11.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly, 19th January, 1727[-8]: Ballast Office.

'In our report of the last assembly, we gave your honours an account of setting down three frames, and since then we have set down four more, which frames have weathered all the storms that have happened this season. There remain finished two frames unset, which could not be carried down by reason of the bad weather; but as soon as the season will permit we will give directions to have them fixed in their proper places, which nine frames contain in length about twenty four perches:' Ordered to proceed as the season permits. Report. Frames. Storms.

'We acquainted your honours that one of the new gabbards was finished; the other is ready for launching. Gabbards.

'We have, since our last report, received from Messieurs Montgomery and White the remaining part of the oak timber formerly contracted for, being 194 pieces, Oak.

1727-8 containing 53 tuns 2 feet three quarters, at £3 5s. per tun, amounting to £191 19s. 5d. Roll xx. m. 27 b.

'There remain now 281 oak piles and top rails, 161 planks and 150 flooring timbers, which will finish only six frames and about eleven perches; and whereas the great tide that runs about the east end of the frames continually occasions a gut below the same, which is a great expense to the Office in filling, it is therefore our opinion if such frame work could be carried on with greater expedition it would very much tend to the interest of the Ballast Office and the good of the harbour:' Ordered to proceed as the season permits.

Timber. Tide.

'We are now under a necessity to inform your honours that the income of the Ballast Office has been so small of late, and the extraordinary expenses of building the two new gabbards, and timber bought, has been so considerable, that the Office is not now in a condition to pay the debts nor to provide more timber and necessaries against next season unless your honours will please to give directions that the £240 lately lent to the city for enclosing the piece of ground on the North Strand be repaid when the occasions of the Office require the same:' Ordered that the receiver general do repay the same as soon as he can conveniently.

Income. Expenses. North Strand.

'An abstract of the cash now in the Office is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours:

'Thomas Curtis.—Peter Verdoen.—Percival Hunt.—Gilbert King.—William Aldrich.—William Walker.—David Latouche.'

An abstract of the Ballast Office account from the 20th October, 1727, inclusive, to the 19th January following, exclusive: m. 26.

Ballast Office, Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To balance given in to last assembly	632	8	7
To cash received since of ships, etc., from 20th October, 1727, inclusive, to the 19th January following, exclusive	698	1	6
	£1,330	10	1

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Per contra, Cred.

	£	s.	d.
By sundry disbursements on account of the Office, from 20th October, 1727, inclusive, to the 19th January following, exclusive ...	1,003	1	0
By balance	327	3	1
	£1,330	10	1
N.B.—Of the above balance there is lent to the city per alderman Forbes's drafts	240	0	0

m. 15. Admissions to franchise. Franchise.

m. 16. Declaration and signatures. Declaration.

m. 26 b. 1727[-8]. February 6.

[1.] His grace William,[1] lord archbishop of Dublin, setting forth this honourable city were pleased to grant him part of the Little Green in fee farm, and therefore prayed that the reverend dean William Percival, minister of St. Michan's parish, may be made a party as well as your petitioner, in regard he proposes to provide a curate to perform Divine service in the intended church: whereupon it was ordered that the reverend dean Percival may be made a party to the fee farm deed, according to the prayer of the above petition, as Mr. Recorder shall advise. Archbishop of Dublin. Little Green. St. Michan's parish.

[2.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that by reason of the buoy at the Bar being removed or destroyed by the bad weather, and it is to be presumed that for want thereof a ship hath been lately cast away and several people drowned, and therefore prayed that a memorial be laid before his excellency the lord lieutenant, to be sent to the lords of the Admiralty: granted. Buoy. Bar. Ship. Admiralty.

m. 26 b. 1727[-8.] February 15.

Certain of the commons, setting forth that pursuant to an order of assembly, Mr. Recorder has prepared the annexed memorial to be presented to his excellency the lord lieutenant of this kingdom, and therefore prayed Recorder.

[1] *See* page 141.

1727-8. that the same do stand as the memorial of this city, and to be presented to his excellency the lord lieutenant accordingly: Roll xx. m. 26 b.

Memorial. Whereupon it was ordered that the memorial drawn and prepared by Mr. Recorder do stand as the memorial of this city, and to be presented to his excellency accordingly:

Carteret, Lord Lieutenant. 'To his excellency John, lord Carteret, lord lieutenant general and general governor of Ireland:

'The memorial of the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, commons, and citizens of the city of Dublin:

Ships. Dublin harbour. 'Sheweth:—That the safety of the ships and their cargoes that enter the harbour of Dublin depends in a great measure on the sea-marks on the Bar, and on the North and South Bulls:

Duty. Anchorage. 'That all ships entering the harbour pay a duty of anchorage for the erecting and keeping up of such sea-marks, which duty has, of late years, been demanded by an officer called the marshal and serjeant-at-mace of the Admiralty. Admiralty:

Queen Elizabeth. 'That queen Elizabeth, by her charter bearing date the 25th day of June, in the twenty fourth year of her reign,[1] granted to the Corporation of this city the office of Admiralty, and of all things thereunto belonging, Arklow. between Arklow head and Nanni water:

'And, in pursuance of said charter, the jurisdiction thereby granted was constantly exercised and enjoyed James II. by the said Corporation till the reign of king James the second, and the government of this city being then in the hands of Papists, the Protestants who succeed them in the Corporation were unacquainted with their privileges, and have but lately discovered that the said power was vested in them:

Jurisdiction. 'That the exercise of Admiralty jurisdiction in this

[1] A.D. 1581-2. *See* vol. i., p. 37.

Roll xx. m. 26 b. harbour by any private person, who depends chiefly on the profits arising from the employment for his support, will always be attended with fatal consequences, in regard the number of ships which have of late years been lost in entering the harbour must be attributed to the neglect of not keeping up and repairing the usual sea-marks, and the loss of the ship called the 'Friendship,' of Bristol, which was stranded on the North Bull on the 26th of January last, was entirely owing to this cause. 1727-8. Harbour. Shipwrecks. Sea-marks. North Bull

'That by a more provident care for the future in erecting and mooring more substantial perches and buoys at the usual and other proper places, the trade and commerce of this city may be greatly increased by the rendering of the navigation more safe than of late years it has been, or can be supposed will be, while so great a trust shall continue in the hands of any person who shall not be sufficient to make satisfaction for the damages which may arise through a want of care in constantly and sufficiently keeping up the sea-marks. Buoys. Navigation.

m. 25.

'Your memorialists most humbly pray your excellency to lay the premises before our most gracious sovereign in such manner as to your excellency shall think most expedient: And your memorialists will pray.

'In testimony whereof, we have caused the common seal of the said city to be hereto affixed, this 15th day of February, anno Domini 1727[-8].' City seal.

m. 32. 1728. May 3.—Second Friday after Easter.[1] 1728.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee for auditing the city accounts made their report of 25th of April, 1728, which report is as followeth: Committee for City accounts.

'We, the committee appointed to audit the city accounts for year ending 25th March, 1728, exclusive, Report.

[1] Easter day, 21 April, 1728

1728. have examined the same, according to the committee's report in June, 1724, and upon balancing said account it City debt. appears that the city is in debt to the receiver general £2,987 13s. 11¼d.: Roll xx. m. 32.

'We beg leave to observe to your honours that said Balance. balance is near £1,200 more than it was last year, though Public works. we do not find that any public works of an extraordinary nature have been done in said year, and that £500 was borrowed on interest in the same:

'We shall not presume to take upon us to assign the Disbursements. causes of the disbursements so far exceeding the income Income. of the city in said year, as well as in former ones, but are humbly of opinion it will be very proper that a committee be immediately appointed to inquire into it, Committee. and that said committee have power to examine into the Expenses. state of the city with respect to its income and expenses, both casual and certain; to look over all leases, books and papers, and send for all officers and servants belonging to said city, as they shall think proper, to assist Inquiry. them in said inquiry, and that they report their opinion City. whether the expenses of the city may in any and what particular articles be retrenched, without lessening the Dignity. Grandeur. dignity and grandeur thereof; and also whether any and what branches of the revenue may be more advantageously managed; whether there be any land or waste Land. Houses. houses to be set; what tenants in arrear to be sued or Arrears. ejected on account of such arrears; and that they propose any method they may think proper for the better managing the several affairs of the city, so that the great Debt. debt it now oweth may be lessened and gradually paid off:

'We are of opinion it would be of great use to have Rent roll. the new Rent roll immediately made, pursuant to an act of last Easter assembly, in manner there directed:

'An abstract of the account is hereto annexed:

'All which we submit to your honours, this 25th day of April, 1728:'

Roll xx. m. 32. [1 i.] 'The Treasurer of the city of Dublin: account for one year ending 25th March, 1728: 1728.

Dr.	£	s.	d.
To arrears of rent at Michaelmas, 1726 ...	681	12	6
„ amount of Ancient revenue at Michaelmas, 1727	1989	13	1¼
„ „ of St. George's revenue at Michaelmas, 1727	40	10	0
„ „ of St. Mary's Abbey and Thomas' Court at Michaelmas, 1727	246	8	0
„ „ of houses in Thomas street ...	54	10	6
„ „ All Hallows' or All Saints', at Michaelmas, ...	477	19	6
„ „ of houses and stalls in New Hall market	239	0	0
„ „ of rents under Newgate ...	16	10	0
„ „ fines of freemen, etc. ...	47	15	0
„ produce of Toll corn to Lady day, 1728	1691	5	5½
m. 32 b. „ „ of the customs of the gates and avenues	1015	9	4½
„ „ of Petty customs of the markets	224	5	9½
„ „ of Three-penny customs ...	129	14	9
„ the rents and fines of the Pipe water ...	1864	10	5
Received at interest from Mr. Wybrants, in trust for the Blue boys' Hospital ...	500	0	0
To a year's rent of the mill at Dolphins Barn and some casualties	48	1	6
Errors in the account	4	14	10½
	£9272	0	9¾
To balance due to the accountant from the city	£2987	13	11¾

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Cr.	£	s.	d.
'By salaries and balance of last account ...	3698	7	0
,, gifts and alms	487	0	0
,, debts of the city	1084	7	7
,, casual expenses	4794	8	2
,, lands waste	2	18	2
,, lands unknown	27	10	0
,, lands out of the city's possession ...	37	17	0
,, arrears of rent due at Michaelmas, 1727	1619	7	4
,, Brooks and Totty	70	0	0
Contingent charges to the treasurer ...	25	0	0
By poundage for £8,259 12s., money paid at 12d. per pound	412	19	6
	£12259	14	9'

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And the said commons, praying to confirm the said report and make the same an act of assembly, and to
Rent roll. continue the committee to make a new Rent roll and perform the several requisites mentioned in said report: whereupon it was granted: the committee's report confirmed; and that the said committee be continued to make a new Rent roll and to perform the several requisites in the said report mentioned, and that the
City leases. committee do order such of the city leases as have not already been examined to be compared with all convenient speed, so that the same may be put in the proper
Press. alphabet or press formerly appointed for that purpose.

[2.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the
Committee for Pipe water. committee for management of the city Pipe water have made their report of the 2nd of May, 1728: which report is as followeth:

Report. 'We, the committee appointed for the management of the city Pipe water, do find that Mr. Darling hath been very diligent in collecting the Pipe water revenue, and that he hath received since the 12th October, 1727, to the 15th of April, 1728, the sum of £1,302, being part of the Pipe

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water revenue due to the city 1st November, 1727: we find that Mr. Darling hath paid of said sum, as appears by alderman Page's receipts ... £1232 8 0
Allowed him for poundage at 12d. per pound 65 2 0
„ for six concealed branches ... 3 0 0
„ for discovering the same ... 1 10 0

Which make balance of his account of ... £1302 0 0 1728.

'Which account is returned upon oath by said Darling. We also recommend to your honours the petition of Mr. Darling to grant him such gratuity as your honours shall think fit for his extraordinary trouble in attending the several sub-committees and taking the number of the pipes in the several streets before he was chosen collector; and also since the whole collection was put into his hands in bringing the collectors' accounts in a method for the committee's inspection; which we submit to your honours, this 2nd May, 1728:'

Account. Darling. Gratuity. Attendance.

And the said commons, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: whereupon it was granted that the committee's report be confirmed, and that the committee be continued.

Confirmation.

[3.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee for management of the cleansing the streets of this city have made their report of the 29th of April, 1728, which report is as followeth:

Cleansing streets. Committee.

'We, the committee appointed for management of the cleansing the city streets, do find that Walter Burnside, overseer of the carts, misbehaved in said employ in the following and several other particulars: that he has at several times carried cart-loads of rubbish, etc., for divers persons, contrary to his duty; that said Burnside has carried for the city at so much a greater distance than he needed to have done, that the carts have made but two turns where he might have made five; that he has several times discharged the hired carts so much sooner

Report. Burnside.

1728. Report. Cleansing streets. than he should, that the city carts have made one and sometimes two turns after such hired carts were discharged; that he has kept hired carts at work when some of the city carts and horses were at the same time idle in the city yard and stables, without any reason for so doing, they being all in order for work. We further find that the said Burnside hath often cleansed places which the city is not obliged to cleanse, and when he has been spoken to and told he was doing wrong by some of the city servants, who said they would complain of him for it, he abused and threatened to beat them. It appears to us that said Burnside hath used a much greater quantity of grease or tallow than was formerly made use of to a greater number of carts. We find from the month of August, 1726, to August 1727, said Burnside received fifteen dozen of candles, out of which there were only used for account of the city eight dozen and two pounds of candles; we likewise find that from August, 1727, to April, 1728, said Burnside received seventeen dozen of candles.

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Candles.

'We find that said Burnside hath frequently come to the city stables much in drink, and in such disorder beats the city horses and drives them one upon the other, that the laming said horses is much endangered thereby, and by his neglect the carters are at a loss where to find the sweepers. We find the said Burnside has been very often absent from his duty, by which and several mismanagements the expense of cleansing the city streets is much increased: which we submit to your honours, this 29th April, 1728:'

City horses.

And the said commons, praying that an order might be made thereon: it was ordered that Walter Burnside be displaced from his employ of overseer of the city carts, horses and stables, for the reasons in the annexed report mentioned, and that the right honourable the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, treasurer, masters of the city works, sir William Fownes, aldermen

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Stoyte, Barkey, Porter, Nuttall, French, and twelve of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any seven of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs to be always two, are appointed a committee for the better cleansing the streets of this city, and that the committee think of a method for the better and more easy cleansing the said streets, and receive proposals for that purpose: 1728. Committee.

'[The twelve of the commons:] William Aldrich.—Vincent Kidder.—William Aston.—William Philpot.—George Cholmondly.—Benjamin Archer.—John Twigge.—Edward Slicer.—William Espinasse.—Tobias Lewis.—Anthony Allen.—Martin Billing.

[4.] The master, wardens and brethren of the guild of St. Mary, the Virgin, etc., commonly called the corporation of carpenters, etc., setting forth that there are many poor brothers and sisters of the said fraternity who are reduced to very low circumstances, and therefore prayed a fee farm lease of part of the ground adjoining to that demised by the city to alderman Joseph Kane, deceased, on the top of the Hill in Oxmantown Green, to build poor houses on, which was referred to a committee, who made the following report Guild of St. Mary. Corporation of carpenters. Hill on Oxmantown Green.

'We, the committee appointed to examine the contents of the within petition of the master wardens and brethren of the guild of Saint Mary, the Virgin, of the house of Saint Thomas, the Martyr, near Dublin, commonly called the corporation of carpenters, millers, masons and helers[1] in the city of Dublin, have taken the same into our consideration, and are of opinion that in regard the request of the petitioners is for a charitable design and no other, we are of opinion that a part of Oxmantown Green, on the north side thereof, be demised to the petitioners in fee farm at the annual rent of 3s. 4d., for building poor Report. House of St. Thomas, Dublin. Carpenters. Millers. Masons. Oxmantown Green.

[1] Slaters.

1728. Houses. houses thereon for the use of decayed brethren and sisters of the said corporation, and for no other use whatsoever, the said ground so to be demised containing the number of feet and bounding as followeth, videlicet: the front to the north, bounded by the road leading from Stony batter. Stony batter to Arbor Hill, running from the west end of Arbor Hill. the late alderman Joseph Kane's ground to the east side of the second stile, 185 feet and a half in length; the west side, bounded by Oxmantown Green, 60 feet in depth; the rear to the south, bounded by Oxmantown Green, 185 feet and a half in length; and on the side to the east, Kane. bounded by the said late alderman Kane's ground, 60 feet in depth. We likewise think it proper that the said ground so to be demised be walled in by the said corporation with a substantial wall of lime and stone with all convenient speed, and when the premises shall be built and improved, that there be no doors or Passages. passages into the Green from the said improvement, and that the city shall have an opportunity at any time hereafter of making use of the south and west walls when the same shall be built without paying any consideration; a survey of the premises is hereto annexed and submitted to your honours, this 12th day of April, 1728:' Roll xx. m. 31. m. 31 b.

And said corporation, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: it was Grant. granted; the committee's report confirmed, and that Sewers. petitioner be under a covenant not to make any sewers Oxmantown Green. that may run into Oxmantown Green, and that petitioners be obliged to build the charity houses within seven years, with such other clauses and covenants as Mr. Recorder shall advise.

[5.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the City accounts. committee appointed to audit the city accounts for the Pavers. last year observed that pavers employed by the city Rate. were allowed two pence half-penny per yard, though the city found stones, and, thinking said charge too great,

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prayed that a committee be appointed to treat and agree with pavers for paving work for the ensuing year: whereupon it was ordered that the right honourable the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, treasurer, alderman Pleasant, alderman Forbes and four of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any five of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs to be always two, are appointed a committee to treat and agree with one or more pavers for paving work to be done by the city for the ensuing year with all convenient speed: 1728. Paving work. Committee.

[The four of the commons:] William Hendrick.—Stearn Tighe.—Joseph Sidebottom.—William Espinasse.

[6.] Benedict Arthur, esquire, setting forth that this city, in Midsummer assembly, 1606, did demise to Edward Arthur, merchant, a parcel of Butter Lane, then in the tenure of Richard Durning, for the term of 99 years immediately after the expiration of a lease made to said Durning which was to determine in year 1639, and said lease of 99 years being soon at a determination, prayed a fee farm lease of said premises, which was referred to a committee, who made the following report: Benedict Arthur. Butter Lane. Durning. Committee.

'We, the committee to whom the contents of the annexed petition were referred, have viewed and caused a survey to be made of the premises in the within petition mentioned, as by a map thereof hereunto annexed, and find that the premises were demised to the petitioner's predecessor as by his petition set forth, and contain but about eight [feet in] depth in the deepest part thereof from the front of Butter Lane, and appears to be in other parts thereof much less in depth. We are therefore of opinion that a lease be executed to the petitioner of the said premises for the term of 99 years, to commence from the 24th day of June next ensuing, at the yearly rent of two pounds per annum, and capons to the Lord Mayor for the time being, or five shillings in lieu thereof, and that the said petitioner do surrender the present lease he hath of the premises on the Report. Map. Rent.

1728. perfection of the said lease to be made him thereof: which we submit to your honours' consideration; dated the first day of May, 1728:' Roll xx. m. 81 b.

Whereupon it was granted; the committee's report confirmed, and that leases be drawn as Mr. Recorder shall advise.

City Music. [7.] The City Music, setting forth that by a late act of assembly one William Meakings was appointed one of the City Music, and therefore prayed that he may be displaced, being in no sort qualified, which was referred to a committee, who made the following report:

'We, the committee appointed to consider the within petition, have taken the same into our consideration, and Meakings. find that William Meakings, formerly appointed one of the City Music, is not qualified to serve the city in that station, and are of opinion that he be displaced from the Jackson. same, and that William Jackson, whom we find qualified, be appointed to succeed said Meakings in the aforesaid employment: which we submit, this 14th March, 1727:'

And the said Music praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly, it was granted: the committee's report confirmed, and that William Jackson be appointed one of the City Music during the city's pleasure.

Darling. [8.] Richard Darling, setting forth that in the year 1721 he was employed by the Lord Mayor and the rest Pipe water. of the committee for management of the city pipe water, to assist them in their several walks and to make a return of the several branches in the city, and therefore prayed to be considered for his extraordinary trouble: Payment. whereupon it was ordered that the treasurer do pay the within petitioner for his extraordinary past service the sum of £23, sterling, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. m. 30.

Watch. [9.] The supervisors of the watch, church-wardens, St. Werburgh's parish. and parishioners of the parish of Saint Warburgh, setting forth that the watch-house in said parish is too small to

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contain a constable and sixteen watchmen, and therefore prayed that a committee be appointed to inspect into said watch-house and to report what ground may be spared of the city to enlarge said watch-house, which was accordingly referred to a committee, who made the following report: 1728. Watchmen.

'We, the above committee, have examined the contents of the within petition, and find that the present watch-house at Essex Gate is not sufficient to contain the constable and a proper number of watchmen, and are of opinion that in order to enlarge the said watch-house, that the number of fourteen feet from east to west, and eight foot at the eastward, being the narrowest end, be taken in by the petitioners for enlarging said watch-house, and we apprehend the same will be no prejudice to, or encroachment on, the public passage: which we submit to your honours, this 12th March, 1727:' Watch-house. Essex Gate.

And said supervisors, etc., praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: it was granted: the committee's report confirmed.

[10.] Mrs. Marjory Nesbitt, wife of Robert Nesbitt, late merchant in this city, setting forth that her said husband had the honour to serve as one of the Sheriffs of this city, and that by a late act of assembly her said husband was appointed one of the weigh masters of this city and expended a considerable sum in erecting a weigh-house, and inasmuch as your petitioner's said husband, through many misfortunes, has been obliged to quit this kingdom, requests, by virtue of a letter of attorney from her said husband, to surrender said office to the city: whereupon it was ordered that the treasurer do pay Mr. Thomas Gonne, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the sum of fifty pounds, sterling, for the separate use of the petitioner as a present, in consideration of her circumstances and on her surrendering the above office, with the said Robert Nesbitt's property and interest in the weigh-house and utensils. Nesbitt. Weigh-masters. Weigh-house. Grant.

1728. Assembly. [11.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: whereupon it was granted. Roll xx. m. 30.

Tholsel court. [12. 13.] John Andrews and Edward Humfrey, gentlemen, praying to be admitted attorneys of the Tholsell court: whereupon it was granted during the city's pleasure.

Ballast Office. [14.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly, May the 3rd, 1728:

Report. 'Pursuant to your honours' orders of last assembly, we have begun with the frame-work, and already one

Frames. frame is finished, which, together with two remaining since last year, shall be sent down and fixed as soon as the weather permits; and with pleasure we can inform your honours that all our frame-work and piles have weathered the storms of the winter, which have been very severe.

'We then acquainted your honours that one of the

Gabbards. new gabbarts was finished, and the other was almost ready. They are both since launched, and one called the 'Caroline,' the other the 'Carteret,' each burthen 30 tun, which now are employed in backing the frames and filling the gut at the east end of the same, which yearly increases as the frames are carried down.

Deering. Privy Council. Fees. 'That Mr. Deering, clerk to the privy council, not having received any satisfaction for his fees since 1710, for passing the Ballast Office account before the government, has now laid before us an account of thirty pounds, sterling, besides clerk's gratuity, which is hereunto annexed:' Ordered that Mr. Deering be paid thirty pounds, sterling, accordingly. m. 30 b.

'An abstract of the cash now in the office is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours:

'Thomas Curtis.—John Porter.—Peter Verdoen.—Joseph Nuttall.—William Aldrich.—Gilbert King.—Caspar White.—John Vareilles.'

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An abstract of the Ballast Office account from 19th January, 1727[-8], inclusive, to the 2nd May, 1728, exclusive: 1728.

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.
To balance given in to last assembly	327	9	1
To cash received since of ships, etc., from 19th of January, 1727[-8], inclusive, to 2nd May, 1728, exclusive	828	5	7
	£1,155	14	8

Per contra, Cred.	£	s.	d.
By sundry disbursements on account of the Office from the 19th January, 1727[-8], inclusive, to 2nd May, 1728, exclusive ...	802	7	6
By balance	353	7	2
	£1,155	14	8
N.B.—Of the above balance there is lent the city, as per alderman Forbes' receipts	240	0	0

m. 33. Declaration and signatures. Declaration.

m. 34. Admissions to franchise. Franchise.

m. 37. 1728. July 19.—Fourth Friday after June 24.

[1.] Thomas Gonne, gentleman, Town Clerk of the city of Dublin, setting forth that, in right of his office, he is entitled to four pence in every shilling received by the Sword-bearer and Marshal for appraisements made by them in this city, for which four pence he is obliged to register all appraisements; that the present Sword-bearer and Marshal are obliged by their several oaths of office to register such appraisements; yet they have hitherto omitted the same, to the prejudice not only of the Public, but to him, and the lessening of the perquisites justly due to him by his said office; that the ancient custom of this city, and by the Marshal's[1] oath and bond, he is not to discharge any person out of his custody on mesne process without the Town Clerk's discharge, notwithstanding which the said Marshal, or his deputy, not only discharged prisoners where the parties are agreed without your petitioner's knowledge, but frequently

Gonne, Town Clerk. Sword-bearer. Marshal. Appraisements. Ancient custom. Prisoners.

[1] *See* vol. i., page 259.

1728. enlarge them on some private securities, taken by them or one of them, and therefore prayed to be relieved against said Marshal and Sword-bearer: which was referred to a committee, who made the following report: Roll xx. m. 37.

Committee.

Report.

'We, the committee to whom the contents of the Town Clerk's petition were referred, have made inquiry into the same: And as to appraisements in general, the petitioner laid before us books of the city court, wherein appraisements have been entered as made by the Sword-bearer and Marshal severally, which entries seem to be regularly continued from the year 1680, for several years:

City court.

Sword-bearer. Marshal.

Fees.

Appraisement. Registration. Division.

'We find that the accustomed fee usually received for appraising goods and registering the same, was twelve pence per pound, which was divided in three parts, videlicet, two thirds to the Sword-bearer and Marshal, being the sworn appraisers, and the other third to the Town Clerk for registering the same. We find that the City Sword-bearer and Marshal, by their respective oaths,[1] are obliged severally to record in the court book of this city all appraisements made by them respectively, within twenty four hours next after such appraisements, which method hath been neglected by the present Sword-bearer and Marshal and their immediate predecessors, except on attachments where the appraisements have been duly entered, and for which the usual fee hath been paid the Town Clerk all along to the present Marshal's time, who, though he receives twelve pence in the pound for appraising, refuses to pay the Town Clerk his four pence thereout for registering:

Town Clerk.

Oaths.

City Court book.

Attachments.

'We find by the former Town Clerk's docket of fees returned to the council chamber, pursuant to act of Parliament, that he charges four pence in the pound for registering all appraisements made by the sworn appraisers. We are of opinion that the registering all appraisements in the Town Clerk's office, according to

Council chamber.

[1] *See* vol. i., pp. 257, 259; vol. ii., p. xxv.

Roll xx. m. 37. the ancient custom of the city and the appraisers' several oaths, will be absolutely necessary, and by that means persons whose goods are appraised will have recourse to the entries when duly registered in the proper office: 1728. Ancient custom.

'We are informed by the Town Clerk that the former City Sword-bearer and Marshal constantly registered appraisements, and always thereon paid four pence out of the shilling received by them, and that till the present Marshal's time four pence in the shilling was constantly paid the Town Clerk for registering all appraisements on attachments:

'We do not find that the Town Clerk receives, or is entitled to, any perquisite for registering such appraisements except the said four pence in the shilling which he demands from the sworn appraisers: Perquisite.

'By the Marshal's bond to indemnify the city, he is obliged not to discharge any person committed to him on mesne process without the Town Clerk's discharge, Marshal. Town Clerk.

m. 37 b. and we apprehend he is obliged to the same by his oath, notwithstanding he, the Marshal, or his deputy, without such discharge set prisoners at liberty, and he, the Marshal, insists upon it to be his right so to do. This being a matter of consequence, and where the Lord Mayor's and Sheriff's court is concerned in, we desire to have Mr. Recorder's opinion therein: Prisoners. Court.

'We are of opinion that for the future the Sword-bearer and Marshal shall register in the Town Clerk's office all manner of appraisements made by them, and pay him four pence in the shilling for registering the same, for every appraisement whereon the value of the goods appraised shall amount to forty shillings or upwards, the same to be paid out of the shilling so to be received by the sworn appraisers: which we submit to your honours, this 15th day of July, 1728:' Registration.

And said Thomas Gonne, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: ordered that the committee's report be confirmed, and that as to Confirmation.

1728. Recorder. that part that requires Mr. Recorder's opinion thereof, the same is hereby referred to Mr. Recorder, who is desired to report his opinion therein to the next assembly. Roll xx. m. 87 b.

Burrowes. [2.] Henry Burrowes, alderman, setting forth that in the year 1724 he was appointed one of the weigh masters of this honourable city, therefore prayed the city to accept of a resignation of said employ, and to grant the same to Mr. Benjamin Bowen: whereupon it was granted.

Weigh-master.

Porter. Ormsby. [3.] Alderman John Porter and Mr. Digby Ormsby, setting forth that they were appointed two of the weigh-masters of this honorable city, and therefore prayed to resign said employments to Mr. Thomas Weld and Mr. William Onge: whereupon it was granted.

Weigh-masters.

Bowen. [4.] Benjamin Bowen, merchant, setting forth that upon the resignation of alderman Henry Burrowes, the place of one of the weigh-masters is become vacant, and therefore prayed to be admitted into said employ: whereupon it was ordered that the petitioner be admitted and appointed weigh-master for one weigh-house, giving security and performing all requisites according to the act of parliament.

Weld. Onge. Porter. Ormsby. [5.] Thomas Weld and William Onge, setting forth that on the resignation of alderman John Porter and Mr. Digby Ormsby, the places of two of the weigh-masters of this city are become vacant, and therefore prayed to be admitted into said employs: whereupon it was granted that the petitioners be appointed weigh-masters for two weigh-houses, giving security and performing all requisites according to the act of parliament.

Thomas Bolton. [6.] Alderman Thomas Bolton, setting forth that having served in the several offices of this city, he hopes he has behaved himself to the satisfaction of this city; that through the many misfortunes and troubles which he has had is very much reduced and low in his circumstances, and therefore prayed that this honorable assembly would grant him such support for the relief of

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himself and his family as to their honours shall seem meet: whereupon it was granted that the sum of thirty pounds be paid to Mr. John Bolton, the petitioner's son, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, and that the petitioner be paid the sum of fifty pounds per annum during the city's pleasure, for the support of his children, by quarterly payments, to commence from midsummer last. 1728. Grant.

[7.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that great inconveniencies have happened of late years by keeping up the ball at the Lord Mayor's house on St. Stephen's night, and therefore prayed that the same be discontinued for the future: whereupon it was granted that the ball on St. Stephen's night be discontinued for the future, and that the Lord Mayor for the time being shall give annually to the Blue Coat Hospital twenty guineas. Ball at Lord Mayor's House. Blue coat Hospital.

[8.] George Madders, collector of the tolls and customs at Dolphins Barn, setting forth that the Toll-house is very much out of repair and in a very ruinous condition, and therefore prayed that the same may be repaired: whereupon it was referred to a committee, who made the following report: Dolphin's Barn. Toll House. Committee.

'We, the committee to whom the contents of the within petition were referred, have viewed the house in the petition mentioned, and find the same to be much out of repair, and part thereof in danger of falling down. We are therefore of opinion that the said house be repaired with all convenient speed by Mr. Nelson, and that the expense thereof be paid by the receiver general on the Lord Mayor's warrant, and allowed the treasurer on his accounts: which we submit to your honours this 8th day of July, 1728:' Report.

m. 36. And the said George Madders, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: whereupon it was granted: the committee's report confirmed.

[9.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: whereupon it was granted. Assembly.

1728. Blocksham. [10.] Mary Blocksham, widow, praying relief: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver general of the city revenues do pay the petitioner the sum of £6, sterling, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Roll xx. m. 38.

Desmynieres. [11.] Lewis Desmynieres, messenger to the Ballast Office, praying to have his salary augmented: whereupon it was ordered that the petitioner's present salary be augmented to £25 per annum, to commence from the 1st of August next.

[12.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly, July 19th, 1728:

Ballast Office

'According to your honours' orders, we have paid Mr. Deering, clerk to the privy council, £30.

Report. Frames. 'Since our last report we have made eight frames containing about 300 feet in length, seven of which are gone down and fixed; the remaining frame will go down with all convenient speed, and shall continue making more as long as the season will permit:' Ordered to proceed as the weather permits.

Gabbards. 'We have further to acquaint your honours that at this time our gabbards and floats are very much out of repair, and as this is the proper season of the year for such work, we conceive it absolutely necessary to set about them immediately:' Ordered to proceed.

Inspection. 'That on Friday last, being the 12th instant, we went down to view the channel and all the works belonging

Bar. to the Office, and likewise sounded the Bar, it being a spring tide and a fine calm day, and find that all the works do stand extraordinary well, and that the Bar is

Map. deeper than before the work begun, as appears by a map that was taken before the said work begun:

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours;

'Thomas Curtis—John Porter.—Peter Verdoen.—Percival Hunt.—Richard Blair.—David Chaigneau.—William Aldrich.—William Walker.—David Latouche.'

Roll xx. m. 36. An abstract of the Ballast Office cash from the 2nd May, 1728, inclusive, to the 19th July, following, exclusive: 1728.

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.
To balance given in to last assembly	353	7	2
To cash received since of ships, etc., from 2nd May, 1728, inclusive, to 19th July, following, exclusive	864	15	8
	£1218	2	10

Per contra, Cr.	£	s.	d.
By sundry disbursements on account of the Office from 2nd May, 1728, inclusive, to 19th July, following, exclusive	661	19	7
By balance	556	3	3
	£1218	2	10
N.B.—Of the above balance there is lent the city per Alderman Forbes' drafts	£240	0	0

m. 38. Admissions to franchise. Franchise.

m. 39. Declaration and signatures. Declaration.

1728. August 2.

m. 36 b. Robert Myre, gentleman, setting forth that he hath the sum of £4,000, sterling, which he is willing to lend the city at five per cent. on such security as is usual: whereupon it was ordered that the sum of £4,000 be borrowed on the city seal, according to the prayer of the above memorial, to discharge such debts as the city pay £6 per cent. per annum upon. Myre. Loan. Interest.

m. 35. 1728, August 12.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee appointed last Midsummer assembly for better regulating the cleansing of the streets of this city, were only empowered thereby to receive proposals for cleansing the city on the north side of the Liffey, and think it most for the advantage of the city that said committee receive proposals for cleansing the whole city, or for the north or south sides thereof, and therefore prayed that the said committee be continued to receive proposals accordingly: whereupon it was granted the former Cleansing city. Proposals.

1728. committee continued to receive proposals according to the prayer of the petition, and to report the same, with their opinion, with all convenient speed to next assembly. Roll xx. m. 35.

Jackson. Corn Market. High Constable. [2.] Henry Jackson, setting forth that by the death of Thomas Sergeant, late overseer of the corn market and High Constable of this city, the said employs are become vacant, and praying to be admitted into said employs: whereupon it was granted, during the city's pleasure, at the yearly salary of £20, to commence from midsummer last. m. 36 b.

1728. September 12.

Daniell. Committee. Henry Daniell, goldsmith, setting forth that the committee appointed by act of last assembly for receiving proposals for the better and more easy cleansing the streets, have made the within report of the 6th of September, 1728, instant, and have thereby thought his proposal to be most advantageous for the interest of the city, which report is as followeth: m. 35.

Report. Cleansing city and suburbs. 'We, the committee appointed to receive proposals for the better and more easy cleansing the streets of this city, met this day and received proposals for that purpose, videlicet, from Mr. Sheriff Daniell and Mr. Richard Pateson, and think that the proposal of Mr. Sheriff Daniell, which is hereto annexed, is the most reasonable and advantageous to the city, whereby he proposes to cleanse this city and suburbs, pursuant to act of parliament, for the term of seven years from Michaelmas next, at the yearly salary of twelve hundred pounds, the use of the Bull yard and herbage of Stephen's Green during said term; he likewise proposes to pay down for the use of the city, for carts, horses, hay, and other materials thereto belonging, as the same shall be indifferently valued by four persons, two to be chosen on behalf of the city, and two on behalf of the proposer; and for performance of said work will enter into proper articles and security of four thousand pounds: m. 35 b.

Stephen's Green.

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'We are therefore of opinion that the said proposal 1728.
be complied with, the said salary to be paid by quarterly Salary.
payments, and to commence from Michaelmas next; that proper articles be drawn as Mr. Recorder shall advise for the duly effecting of said work, and that security be entered into for that purpose, and in case of the proposer's mortality during said term of seven years, the said articles to be void, a clause to be inserted by Mr. Recorder in said articles to this purpose:'

And said Henry Daniell, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: whereupon it was granted; the committee's report confirmed, and that articles be drawn and entered into, with security of Articles. Security.
four thousand pounds to perform the same, with such other covenants and clauses as Mr. Recorder shall advise; and that if the four persons to be named, pursuant to said report, to value the hay, horses, carts and gears, and other materials, cannot agree on the prices thereof, that they choose a fifth person, who shall join with them in valuing the same, and that then the valuation of any Valuation.
three or more of said persons shall be conclusive to both parties, and that the city shall, from time to time, during the continuance of said articles, have free liberty of ingress and regress with men, horses and carriages, to and from the Artillery Yard in and through the Bull Artillery yard.
yard, and also liberty for the city to make a pond in the Bull yard on the south side thereof, where the little pond now is, in order to preserve the city timber therein, Timber.
the dimensions whereof, if the city shall think fit, to be seventy foot from east to west, and forty foot from north to south; and that in case the petitioner shall happen to die within the term to be mentioned in said articles, or on his failing to perform the same, in such case, if the city shall think fit, all such hay, horses, carts, gears, and all materials relating thereto, shall be valued by four indifferent persons, two to be named on behalf of the city, and two on behalf of the petitioner or

1728. his representative, and in case they cannot agree, Roll xx. m. 35 b. that they choose a fifth person to be added to them, and that any three or more of them shall value all such hay, horses, carts, gears, and materials thereto belonging as then shall belong to the petitioner, and be employed in cleansing the streets, to be delivered to the city on payment of such sum as the same shall be valued at by such persons, together with the possession of the said Bull yard and stables in good order and repair, and that a clause be inserted in said articles that the houses
Bull yard. erected on said Bull yard, fronting the street, together with seventy feet on the rear of the present yards of said houses on the west side of the gate, be excepted for the use of the city, if the city shall think proper to enlarge the yards of said houses.

1728. October 18.—Third Friday after 29 September. m. 42.

Lord Mayor: Henry Burrowes; Sheriffs: John Holliday and Benjamin Archer.

[1.] Edward Butler, clerk to the right honorable the Lord Mayor, setting forth that his Lordship being elected
Mayoralty. into the Mayoralty of this city will be at great expense to support the dignity of the same, and therefore prayed
Expense. the usual allowance: whereupon it was ordered that the
Payment. treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, do pay the petitioner for his Lordship's use the sum of five hundred pounds, sterling, videlicet, £250 at next Christmas, and £250 at midsummer next, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Whittwell, Lord Mayor. [2.] Edward Butler, clerk to sir Nathaniel Whittwell, knight, late Lord Mayor, setting forth that the expense attending said station is much greater than formerly, and therefore prayed the usual augmentation for said sir Nathaniel Whittwell's use: whereupon it was ordered
Grant. that the treasurer do pay the petitioner, for the late Lord Mayor's use, the sum of £400, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

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[3.] His Grace William, lord archbishop of Dublin, setting forth that this city lately perfected to him and the rev. Dean Percival a deed of fee-farm under the city seal of part of the Little Green for a church and churchyard, which said deed being to remain in the custody of said dean, or the dean and chapter of Christ Church, and that he cannot readily have recourse thereto, therefore prayed, in regard he is a trustee therein, to have a counterpart of said deed under the city seal for his own use and inspection: whereupon it was granted. 1728. Archbishop of Dublin. Church. Little Green. Christ church. Deed.

[4.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that several persons who are lessees to this honourable city owe considerable arrears of rent, some of them for many years past, which, if they were obliged to pay, would be of great use towards discharging part of the debts due by the said city, and that some counterparts of old leases are lost or mislaid, and therefore prayed that all such persons who owe arrears of rent may forthwith be compelled by law and equity, as Mr. Recorder shall advise, to pay the same, and the lessees may be obliged to perfect counterparts of such leases as are lost or mislaid: whereupon it was granted according to the prayer of the above petition. Debts to city. Old leases. Arrears of rent.

[5.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that deeds were formerly ordered to be made between the city and captain Brookes, pursuant to an award made in his majesty's high court of chancery in this kingdom, and therefore prayed that proper deeds be prepared in order to be laid before Mr. Recorder, and to be perfected pursuant to said award: whereupon it was granted. Captain Brookes. Chancery Deeds.

[6.] Thomas Gonne, gentleman, Town Clerk, setting forth that Henry Daniell and Alderman Richard Grattan, late Sheriffs of this city, ever since they undertook said office on them, their time hath been wholly taken up in discharging the same, whereby their private affairs have greatly suffered, and therefore prayed to be considered for the same: whereupon it was ordered that the Daniell, Grattan, Sheriffs. Grant.

1728. receiver general of the city revenues do pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, for the late Sheriff's use, £200, sterling, videlicet, £100 to each, the same to be allowed on his accounts. Roll xx. m. 42.

Franchise. [7.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the admitting of persons to the freedom of the city by

Gloves. gloves to the Lady Mayoress hath been found very prejudicial to the interest thereof, and therefore prayed

Lady Mayoress. that an equivalent be granted to the Lady Mayoress instead thereof: whereupon it was ordered that for the future no person be admitted free of this city by gloves

Annual payments. to the Lady Mayoress, and that thirty-two guineas be paid in lieu thereof to the Lady Mayoress for the time being, per annum, by the receiver general of the city revenues, the same to be paid by quarterly payments and to commence from Michaelmas last, to be allowed the treasurer on his account. m. 42 b.

Committee for Pipe water. [8.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee for management of the city pipe water have made their report of the 15th of October, 1728, instant, which report is as followeth:

Report. 'We, the committee appointed for the management of the city pipe water revenue, do find that Mr. Darling hath been very diligent in collecting the city pipe water and settling the same: we likewise find that Mr. Darling hath received from the 15th April, 1728, to the 8th October, 1728, the sum of £411 11s. 8d., being the close of the whole year's accounts on 1st November, 1727.'

	£	s.	d.
Cash paid alderman Page, as per his receipts	381	15	2
Allowed for poundage	20	11	6
„ „ concealed branches ...	4	0	0
„ „ discovering the same ...	2	0	0
„ „ change for carrying on the year's collection	3	5	0
Which make the balance of his account of	£411	11	8

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'Which said sum of £411 11s. 8d., added to the sum of £1,302, received for pipe water rent from 12th October, 1727, to 15th April, 1728, which was accounted for in Easter Assembly, 1728, amounting in the whole to the sum of £1,713 11s. 8d., being the total received for rent out of the city pipe water revenue for one year's rent due and ending the 1st November, 1727: 1728.

'And that said account is returned upon oath by said Darling, which is hereto annexed:

'All which we submit to your honours, this 15th October, 1728:'

And the said commons, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: whereupon it was granted that the said report be confirmed and said committee continued.

[9.] Bartholomew Wybrants, clerk to the commons, setting forth that he hath constantly endeavoured to discharge his duty in the said employ, and therefore prayed to be considered for his said service: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver general of the city revenues do pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the sum of £10, sterling, the same to be allowed on his accounts. Wybrants, Clerk to commons.

[10.] Silvanus Pepyat, city printer and stationer, praying to have a committee appointed to examine his accounts, which was accordingly referred to a committee, who made the following report: Pepyat, City printer.

'We, the within committee, have examined the petitioner's accounts which are hereto annexed, and find that the same amounts to £159 7s. 4d., the said account hath been regularly proved, and are of opinion the petitioner be paid in full of the same the said sum of £159 7s. 4d: Report.

'We observe the present account amounts to more by a considerable deal than the accounts formerly furnished, which is chiefly owing to the great number of [notices of]

1728. Assize of bread. assize of bread ordered to be printed and distributed, and the great number of proclamations, some of which are, we Proclamations. apprehend, unnecessary; we are, therefore, of opinion that for the future the large assize of bread be continued at the number of fifty as formerly, and that the number of Printing. any proclamations to be printed at any one time do not exceed the number of 100: which we submit to your honours this 24th day of September, 1728:' Roll xx. m. 42 b.

And the said Silvanus Pepyat, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: ordered, the committee's report be confirmed, and that the receiver general, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner £159 7s. 4d. in full of his account, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Ormsby. [11.] Digby Ormsby, praying to have his security delivered up as one of the collectors of the pipe water: whereupon it was ordered that the bonds entered into by the petitioner and his security be delivered up to him cancelled.

Lindley. [12.] Joseph Lindley, butcher, setting forth that through many misfortunes, and having a great charge of helpless children to maintain, he is reduced very low in his circumstances, and therefore prayed to be considered: m. 41
Grant. whereupon it was ordered that the treasurer do pay the petitioner £12, sterling, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the same to be allowed on his accounts.

Water-bailiffs. [13.] John Jones and Augustin Thwaites, water bailiffs, praying to be continued in their employs: granted during city's pleasure.

Hawkins. Newgate. [14.] John Hawkins, keeper of Newgate, praying to be continued in his employ: Granted during city's pleasure.

Assembly. [15.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock; granted.

Officers at mace. [16.] Greenwood Hanna, John Smith, Francis M'Cann, William Justus, Robert Goodwin, and Mathew Wrightson, officers at mace, praying to be continued in their several employs: granted during city's pleasure.

Roll xx. m. 42. [17.] John Reilly, Thomas Mozly, William O'Neill, and Richard Higgins, Sheriffs' officers, praying to be continued in their several employs; granted that the said officers be continued, except Thomas Mozly, who is suspended from his employ till further order on the account of the within petition of John Frayne. 1728. Sheriffs' officers.

m. 43. Admissions to franchise. Franchise

m. 44. Declaration and signatures. Declaration.

m. 41. 1728. November 22.

Certain of the commons, setting forth that captain Vernon assumes the right of this honourable city by taking upon him to seize such things that are cast on shore at Clontarf by shipwreck, pretending a right thereto as lord of the manor, which is the undoubted right of the city of Dublin, and therefore prayed that an order may be made therein: whereupon it was ordered that such method be taken for ascertaining the city's right in law and equity as Mr. Recorder shall advise. Vernon. Clontarf Manor. Shipwreck.

m. 41 b. 1728. December 9.

[1.] Thomas Mozly, one of the officers at mace, setting forth that by order of last assembly he was suspended from his said employ, and praying to have his suspension taken off: it was ordered that the said suspension be and is hereby taken off. Mozly.

[2.] Arthur O'Neill, setting forth that Thomas Mozly, one of the officers at mace, through several infirmities is rendered incapable of doing his duty, and being desirous to surrender his said employ as one of the officers at mace on accepting of him in said Mozly's place, and therefore prayed to be admitted into said place of officer at mace, instead of said Thomas Mozly, on said Thomas Mozly's surrender: ordered that the petitioner be admitted one of the officers at mace of this city during the city's pleasure, he giving good security to indempnify the city from all manner of escapes, and for the just and faithful O'Neill. Security. Escapes.

1728. execution of said office of one of the officers at mace, the said security to be approved of by the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs, and likewise giving good security for redelivery of the silver mace. Roll xx. m. 41 b.

Ballast Office. [3.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly, October 18th, 1728:

Report Frames. 'Pursuant to your honours' orders of last Midsummer assembly, we have proceeded in making of frames, and have made this season thirteen, containing five hundred and nineteen feet in length, but the weather having been so very bad that we could not set any more than ten, but shall give directions to carry down the rest with all expedition: ordered to proceed as the season permits:

'The season of the year is now far advanced and the days become short; we have ordered the making of more frames to be deferred till a more proper season.

'We have, according to your honours' orders, repaired Gabbards. several of our gabbards, and shall proceed in repairing the rest as soon as possible.

'We have bought from Alderman Verdoen 193 pieces Oak timber. of oak timber, containing 56 tuns 13 feet, at £3 5s. per tun, amounting to £183 1s. 1d., which is paid for.

'We have also bought from Mr. Gibton, 158 pieces of oak timber, containing 46 tuns 10 feet, at 55s. per tun, and 80 pieces more of same, amounting in all to £154, which is not paid for.

Act of Parliament. 'The Ballast Office is obliged by act of parliament to lay before the government and council, once in every three years, the account of the annual receipts and payments of the said office: we herewith lay before your honours the said abstract for your approbation in order to have the city seal affixed to the same:

'We further beg leave to acquaint your honours that, m. 40. according to your orders of Easter Assembly, 1726, we Stones. Black Rock. raised a good quantity of stones at the Black Rock, in South Bull. order to fill the frames on the South Bull, and found we

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could raise them for less than half the price we now pay for them at Clontarf; yet we lay under some difficulty by reason the floats' men being unwilling to go there for fear of a sudden storm of an easterly wind should happen, which would endanger the losing of the floats men, but we are of opinion that if two frames were set down at the said Black Rock, in order to make an harbour for sheltering the floats, it would be of great advantage to the Ballast Office. The said frames may be made lesser than the frames we now make for the South Bull, and may be taken up again and laid down in Cock lake when the work shall be carried upwards:' 1728. Clontarf. Cock lake.

Ordered that the frames be made as the committee shall think proper.

'We have, pursuant to a clause in the act[1] of parliament caused ten new perches to be made in order to direct our gabbards to dredge in the channel, as well for assisting ships in warping up and mooring in times of necessity. Perches. Ships.

'That notwithstanding your honours' orders of Christmas Assembly, 1727, to pay £240, sometime ago lent the city for the enclosing the ground near the North Strand, no money has been since paid by the treasurer, and the Office now being indebted to sundries above £530, we therefore hope your honours will order the same immediately to be paid in order to maintain the credit of the Office:' Loan to city.

Ordered that the same be paid as soon as the treasurer is in cash.

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours:

'Thomas Curtis.—John Porter.—Peter Verdoen.—Percival Hunt.—Joseph Nuttall.—William Aldrich.—Gilbert King.—William Walker.—Caspar White.—John Vareilles.—David Latouche.

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[1] x. George i., cap. iii., xxvi.

1728. Richard Grattan.

'There being a vacancy in the committee on the removal of Mr. Richard Grattan to an alderman, we therefore pray that a commoner be appointed in his room:' Roll xx. m. 40.

Ordered that the commons do name a commoner instead of alderman Grattan: [Commoner named]—John Macarell.

An abstract of the Ballast Office account from 19th July, 1728, inclusive, to the 18th October following, exclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To balance given in to last assembly	496	5	2
To cash received since of ships, etc., from 19th July, 1728, inclusive, to 18th October following, exclusive	927	15	9
	£1424	0	11

Per contra, Cred.

	£	s.	d.
By sundry disbursements on account of the Office, from 19th July, 1728, inclusive, to the 18th October following, exclusive ..	987	17	7
By balance	436	3	4
	£1424	0	11
N.B.—Of the above balance there is lent to the city, as per Alderman Forbes' receipt	£240	0	0
N.B.—There are bills now lying in the Office that are not paid, amounting to	£530	6	9

1728-9.

1728-9. January 17.—Fourth Friday after 25 December, 1728.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that great inconveniencies happen by the neglect of persons appearing who are summoned to attend on juries at the Tholsell courts of this honourable city, and likewise of such who enter into recognizances to prosecute, and who are also bound for the appearance of felons and other offenders, by which means several felons and others escape condign punishment for want of prosecution; and by the neglect of the persons who do not bring forth their bodies to appear and abide their trials, pursuant to m. 47.

Juries.

Tholsel courts.

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their recognizances; and therefore prayed that such fines and recognizances be estreated: whereupon it was granted, and that public notice be posted, giving notice thereof to the several citizens of this city 1728-9. Recognizances. Public notices.

[2.] Auditors of the city accounts for the last year, according to the committee's report of the 22nd June, 1724: Lord Mayor; Sheriff: Sir William Fownes; Aldermen: Quayle, Curtis, Porter, Verdoen, Pearson, Nuttall, French, Kane: Auditors of city accounts.

And eighteen of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any nine of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs to be always two:

[The eighteen of the commons:] Nathaniel Shaw, Vincent Kidder, Daniel Falkiner, Charles Hendrick, James Somerville, Philip Pearson, William Walker, William Aston, David Tew, Stearn Tighe, William Hendrick, Joseph Sidebottom, William Buckley, Edward Slicer, William Espinasse, Joseph Rathborne, William Woodworth, Eliphal Dobson.

[3.] Mr. Henry Daniell and alderman Richard Grattan are appointed masters of the city works for the ensuing year Daniell. Grattan. City works.

[4.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that to prevent inconveniencies which may happen by not entering of leases made by the city, they prayed that every lease shall be duly entered and examined before the same be put under the city seal: whereupon it was granted that such leases be entered before the same are perfected, and that on perfection the entry in the book be compared with the original. Leases from city. Entries. Book.

[5.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that captain Vernon pretends to claim a title to the strand of Crab Lough and the strand which is now held and enjoyed under the city's title, and also part of the fishery of Polebegg, and therefore prayed that methods may be taken to defend the city's title thereto, as Mr. Recorder shall advise: ordered that whensoever captain Vernon shall Vernon. Strand. Crab Lough. Fishery. Polebegg. City's title.

1728-9. make any attempt to encroach on Crab Lough or any part of the premises in the above petition mentioned, that thereupon the city's title thereto shall be immediately defended at the city's expense, as Mr. Recorder shall advise. Roll xx m. 47.

Repairs. Tholsel. Cupola. [6.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that several repairs are wanting in and about the Tholsell of this city, and more especially the cupola thereof, which, in stormy weather, is in great danger of falling down, and they therefore prayed that a committee be appointed to inspect and report what repairs are proper to be made in the Tholsell and cupola thereof, with all convenient speed; which was referred to a committee, who made the following report:

Committee. Report. 'We, the within committee, have viewed the upper part of the Tholsell, particularly the cupola thereof, and find the same to be in a ruinous and dangerous condition. We are of opinion that the said cupola be pulled down, and that instead thereof a spire be erected. The expense thereof, we apprehend, will be very near defrayed by the old materials so to be pulled down: which we submit to your honours, this 8th November 1728:' m. 47 b.

And the said commons, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: whereupon it was granted; the committee's report confirmed, and that Mr. Nelson do, without fail, proceed therein at the beginning of March next ensuing.

Bridewell. Work-house Market. [7.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the removal of the present Bridewell to the city ground near the Workhouse will be more convenient and serviceable to the public, and that the present Bridewell may be sold for about one thousand pounds, and a new one erected for about half that sum, or converted into a flesh market, which is much wanted in that part of the city: which was referred to a committee, who made the following report:

Committee. Report. 'We, the committee to whom the contents of the

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within petition were referred have taken the same into consideration, and are of opinion that a new Bridewell be erected on ground near the Poorhouse gate, of which we have made a plan, which contains the dimensions in the said plan set forth, the expense whereof to build and finish the same we compute will amount to the sum of five hundred pounds, or thereabouts: 1728-9. Poorhouse. Plan. Expense.

'And we are also of opinion that the ground whereon the present Bridewell is erected, and the ground thereunto belonging, be made into a public market, to be set for the advantage of the city, or to be otherwise disposed of, as shall be thought fit: which we submit to your honours, this 17th January, 1728:'

And the said commons, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: whereupon it was ordered that a new Bridewell be built according to the within report and annexed plan, and that the said committee be continued to inspect the said building as it goes on, and likewise consider of the most effectual way of disposing of the present Bridewell and ground thereto belonging for the advantage of the city. Building.

[8.] Mr. Henry Daniell and alderman Richard Grattan, setting forth that heretofore it hath been usual for the Sheriffs of this city annually to collect six pence per house, by the name of Land Gabel money, towards the support of their office, and that at Michaelmas assembly, 1721, on the petition of certain of the commons to have said usage omitted, and that the late Sheriffs might have a consideration in lieu thereof, which petition was accordingly allowed, and therefore prayed an equivalent to the usage remitted: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver general, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioners £30, videlicet, £15 to each, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Daniell, Grattan, Sheriffs. Land Gabel. Payment.

[9.] Edward Wetenhall, esquire, setting forth that having holding adjoining to the stalls, numbered 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49 and 50 in New Hall, or Newgate Edward Wetenhall. New Hall.

1728-9. Market. Market, is, for the accommodation of said holding, desirous to become tenant to said city for all the said stalls, or for the stall, no. 48, and to take a fee farm or such other long lease thereof at a reasonable rent as should be thought most proper: which was referred to a committee, who made the following report: Roll xx. m. 47 b.

Committee.

Report. 'Pursuant to the above order of assembly, we have viewed and surveyed the premises mentioned, particularly the stalls therein recited, being at present eight in number, besides a little house, which stalls and necessary house are on the east side of part of Black Dog yard, and contain as followeth, videlicet, in length from north to south, 75 feet to Black Dog yard; on the rear to the east, 74 feet in length; in depth from east to west, 12 feet, except on the north end, where it is but 8 feet deep for the length of 9 feet running to the south, which premises are bounded on the east to the petitioner's inheritance, on the south with the city ground built on, on the west with the pavement of the east side of Black Dog yard, and on the north with the city ground built on, which premises are more particularly described in a map hereto annexed: we are of opinion that the petitioner have a lease for lives renewable for ever of the said premises, at the annual rent of £15 and twenty shillings on the fall of every life, the said rent to commence from Easter next: we find that the stalls have been formerly set to insolvent tenants, and have been very often untenanted, so that the yearly income of them has been uncertain, and not produced so much as the same be now set for to the petitioner: we are of opinion that a clause be inserted in the said lease that when the said premises shall be improved or built upon, the same shall not blind or obstruct any of the lights of a house adjoining the premises at the north end thereof: which we submit to your honours, this 13th January, 1728.'

Black Dog yard.

Map.

Rent.

m. 46.

And the said Edward Wetenhall, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly:

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whereupon it was ordered that the petitioner have a lease of the premises described in the within map for lives renewable for ever, at the yearly rent of twenty pounds, and ten pounds on the fall of every life, the said rent to commence from Easter next, and that a shore be made by the petitioner . . . and that leases be drawn and perfected as Mr. Recorder shall advise. 1728-9. Lease.

[10.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: granted. Assembly.

[11.] Robert Dallway and James Stevenson, esquires, setting forth that this city, by indenture bearing date the 18th day of July, 1712, did demise to Robert Dixon, esquire, all that one garden, plot of ground and backside situate on the backside of the dwellinghouse of sir William Dixon in Skinner row, being part of Souters' lane, containing in front to the north 73 feet, and in the west 21 feet, during the natural lives of the said Robert Dixon, Robert Burrowes, son of lady Burrowes, and Elizabeth Burrowes, her daughter, at the yearly rent of £4 and capons to the Lord Mayor for the time being, with a clause of renewal on the fall of every life; that the said Robert Dixon is since dead, and leaving them his executors, they prayed that the life of Frederick Trench, second son of Frederick Trench, esquire, be inserted instead of said Robert Dixon, esquire, deceased: whereupon it was granted. Dallway. Stevenson. Sir William Dixon. Skinner row. Souters' lane. Burrowes. Trench.

[12.] Joseph Blundell, setting forth that the place of city clockmaker is become vacant by the death of Walter Bingham, deceased, and prayed to be admitted into said employ: ordered that the petitioner be appointed to take care of the city clocks at the Tholsell and Lord Mayor's house, during the city's pleasure, at the salary of £3 per annum, to commence from Christmas last. Blundell, city clock maker. Tholsel. Lord Mayor's house.

[13.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that Thomas Brooking hath completely finished the map of the city and suburbs, and therefore prayed that some of said maps be taken from said Brooking, or such other Brooking. Map of Dublin.

1728-9. gratuity as should be thought proper: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver general of the city revenues do Grant. pay to alderman Humphry French, for the use of the within named Thomas Brooking, £10, sterling, towards defraying the expense he was at in making a map[1] of this city, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Roll xx. m. 46.

[14.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the Assembly. assembly till eleven o'clock: granted.

[15.] Michael Barry, gentleman, praying to be admitted Tholsel court. an attorney of the Tholsell court: granted during city's pleasure.

James King. [16.] Lieutenant colonel James King, setting forth that he hath served in all the offices usual to a citizen in church, city and corporation, but by many misfortunes is reduced to a very low condition, and therefore prayed to be relieved: whereupon it was ordered that the Grant. receiver general, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioner £10, and that he be paid £10 per annum, during the city's pleasure, by quarterly payments, to commence from Christmas last—the said £10 to be paid to Mr. David King for the petitioner's use.

[17.] Joseph Wilkinson and William Williams, late City carts. overseers of the city carts, praying to be considered for their past services: ordered that the treasurer do pay the petitioners for charity the sum of £12, videlicet, £6 to each, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

[18.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office. Ballast Office to the general assembly, January the 17th, 1728-9:

Report. 'In our report to the last assembly we gave your Frames. honours an account of ten frames which were set down last season, and since then we have set down one more. All our frames have weathered all the storms that have

[1] *See* Preface.

Roll xx. m. 46. happened since, except one frame which went adrift. 1728-9. Some of the said piles are now in possession of my lord Lord Howth. of Howth and Mr. Vernon, who refuse to deliver the Vernon same:'

Ordered that such methods be taken for recovering the piles as Mr. Recorder shall advise.

'Pursuant to your honours' orders of last assembly, we laid before the government and council the abstract of Government. the Ballast Office account from the first of November, m. 46 b. 1725, to the 1st of May, 1728, exclusive, for their approbation according to act of parliament:

'We acquainted your honours that we were graving our gabbards and floats. They now are all finished Gabbards. except the 'Prince' float, and we would have repaired the same, but, by reason of the short days and bad weather, have deferred the graving of it till the days grow longer:

'We have bought from Mr. Vareilles eighty pieces of oak timber, containing four tuns twenty four feet and Oak timber. a quarter, at forty five shillings per tun, amounting to the sum of £32 17s., which is not paid for:

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours;

'Thomas Curtis. — John Porter. — Peter Verdoen. — Joseph Nuttall. — William Aldrich. — Richard Blair. — Gilbert King. — William Walker. — Caspar White. — John Vareilles.'

An abstract of the Ballast Office account from the 19th of October, 1728, inclusive, to the 17th of January following, exclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To balance given in to last assembly	436	3	4
To cash received since of ships, etc., from 19th October, 1728, inclusive, to 17th January following, exclusive	464	14	5
	£900	17	9

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Per contra, Cr.

	£	s.	d.
By sundry disbursements on account of the Office, from the 19th October, 1728, inclusive, to the 17th January following, exclusive	590	18	1
By cash paid Mr. White, per bill on alderman Page, for	240	0	9
	£830	18	10
By balance	69	18	11
	£900	17	9

Franchise. Admissions to franchise. m. 48,

Declaration. Declaration and signatures. m. 49.

1728-9. February 27.

Lease. Certain of the commons, setting forth that the lease of m. 46 b.
Ferry the ferry across the river Liffey will determine the first of May next, which was formerly granted to Mr.
Singleton. Singleton, and they apprehend it will be necessary to appoint a committee to receive proposals for a lease thereof: whereupon it was ordered that the right honourable the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, treasurer, masters of the city works, aldermen of the ward, aldermen Quayle, Curtis, Nuttall, and six of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any five of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs be always two, be and are
Sale. appointed a committee to set up at cant in the Tholsell Court the liberty to ferry persons, horses, cattle, goods
Liffey. and carriages over the river Anna Liffy from the end of
Ringsend. Dirty Lane to Ringsend point, the same to be set up at
Rent. one hundred and fifty pounds per annum rent, and five
Fine. hundred pounds fine to be paid down; that the fairest
Lease. and best bidder be entitled to a lease of twenty-one years of the said liberty, to be paid quarterly, and to commence from the first of May next; and whoever m. 45.
Slips. shall be declared the best bidder shall procure slips and
Payment. landing places as he shall think necessary; and to pay down at the time of the cant one hundred, and the remaining part of the fine within twenty-one days after such cant, at which time leases are to be perfected; the said committee to make such further regulations as they

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shall think proper; the leases to be drawn and perfected as Mr. Recorder shall advise: [The six of the commons:] 1728-9.

James Somervell, Gilbert King, William Aston, John Sican, David Tew, William Phillpott.

1728-9. March 24.

[1.] Several merchants and traders, in behalf of themselves and the rest of the trading men of this city, setting forth that by an act of parliament made in England, entitled an act for 'encouraging and increasing of shipping and navigation,' it is enacted that from and after the first of April, 1661, no sugars, tobacco, cotton-wool, indigoes, ginger, fustick, or other dying wood, of the growth, production or manufacture of any English Plantations in America, Asia or Africa, shall be shipped, carried or conveyed to any place whatsoever other than to such English Plantations as do belong to the Crown of England, etc., under certain penalties in said act: Merchants and traders. Acts of Parliament. English Plantations.

That by an English statute, 15 Charles II., entitled 'an act for the encouragement of trade,' and by another English statute, 22 and 23 Charles II., entitled 'an act to prevent the planting of tobacco in England, and regulating the Plantation trade,' the importation of the goods enumerated in the said statute into Ireland is prohibited: Statutes. Tobacco. Prohibition.

Notwithstanding which it remained lawful to import any other species of goods except the goods enumerated in the said several acts, and that by a clause in an English statute [1694-6], 7 and 8 William III., entitled 'an act for preventing frauds and regulating abuses in the Plantation trade,' it is enacted that it shall not be lawful to put on shore in Ireland any goods or merchandise of the growth or product of any of his majesty's Plantations: Exceptions. William III.

Which words being general the people of Ireland, since the commencement of said act, have declined the importation of any goods from said Plantations, and are forced to send to foreign markets for several goods which otherwise they would have brought from said Plantations: People of Ireland. Ireland. Foreign markets.

1728-9. That it is conceived by the memorialists the said statute of 7 and 8 William III. may reasonably admit of such a construction that no other goods than those enumerated in the former statutes were, by the said act of 7 and 8 William III., intended to be prohibited, and that for the benefit of trade and the advancement of his majesty's revenues in Ireland, and therefore prayed that the city will recommend the same to his majesty, that liberty may be granted to the people of Ireland for an intercourse with the said Plantations for all goods and merchandise except the goods enumerated in the former statutes: Roll xx. m. 45.

Construction of statute.

Trade.

Revenue.

m. 45 b.

Intercourse. Plantations

Memorial. Whereupon it was ordered that a memorial be drawn according to the prayer of the annexed memorial in the name of the city, in such manner as Mr. Recorder shall think proper, and that the same be laid before their excellencies, in order to be transmitted to his majesty.

[2.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that there is the sum of five hundred pounds to be paid as fine for a lease of the ferry boat across the river Anna Liffy, and the repairing the Tholsell will require ready money to be expended on that occasion; and they therefore prayed that such part of said sum of five hundred pounds may be laid out for repairing said Tholsell as shall be necessary: whereupon it was granted, and that the right honourable the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, treasurer, masters of the city works, aldermen Pleasant, Quayle, Forbes, and six of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any five of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs to be always two, are appointed a committee to see the Tholsell repaired according to the above petition and former act of assembly, and that Mr. Nelson receive directions from time to time from the said committee:

Fine

Ferry.

Tholsel.

Repairs. Expenditure.

Committee.

[The six of the commons:] James Somervell, Caspar White, John Hewetson, William Hendrick, John Read, Henry Heatly.

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1729. April 18.—Second Friday after Easter.[1] 1729.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee for auditing the city accounts have made their report of the 14th of April, 1729, instant, and caused an abstract of said accounts to be hereto annexed, which report and abstract are as follows: City accounts.

'We, the committee appointed to audit the city accounts for one year, videlicet, the certain revenue from Michaelmas, 1727, to Michaelmas, 1728, and the casual revenue from 25th March, 1728-9, inclusive, to the 25th of March, 1729, exclusive, have perused and examined the same, an abstract whereof is hereunto annexed, and observe that the receiver general pursued the method for accounting laid down in Midsummer assembly, 1724. We do not find that as yet a new Rent roll hath been made, as formerly ordered, by which means the charge on the treasurer is not so exact as it might be, and we recommend making said Rent roll with all convenient speed: Report. Rent roll.

'We also find that the yearly charge on the treasurer is very considerable, occasioned by the great arrear of rent constantly returned to be due from several tenants to the city, to a great part whereof the city's title is disputed, several years' arrears being returned due from sundry tenants; we are therefore of opinion that it will be necessary that the said committee for making a new Rent roll do make particular inspection into the said arrears and report what part thereof may speedily be recovered, and that effectual methods may be taken for recovering the same, and such as cannot be recovered, that the same be struck out of the yearly charge on the treasurer, and entered by way of memorandum at the foot of each account: Arrears of rent. City's title. Tenants. Inspection.

'We are further of opinion that the time appointed for the receiver general's giving up his accounts is very inconvenient both to him and the committee, the same Time for accounts.

[1] Easter day, 6 April, 1729.

1729. frequently happening in Passion week or Easter week, and according to the time at present appointed may probably fall out in Easter assembly week; and we are of opinion if he be appointed to pass his accounts within twenty one days from Easter assembly yearly, it will answer the ends of the city as effectually, and be more convenient to the receiver general and the committee for Audit. auditing the city accounts: which we submit to your honours, this 14th April, 1729.' Roll xx. m. 58.

[1 i.] 'The treasurer of the city of Dublin: account with the said city for one year, the ancient [revenue] ending Michaelmas, 1728, and the casual revenue ending the 25th March, 1729:

Dr.	£	s.	d.	
The arrears of rent due on last accounts ...	1619	7	4	
To ancient revenue	2003	16	7¾	
„ St. George's rent	40	10	0	
„ All Hallows' rent	477	19	6	
„ Mary's Abbey and Thomas Court rents	246	8	0	
„ produce of the Toll corn for a year ...	1487	0	10	
„ the revenue at the city gates ...	962	9	11½	
„ tenants under Newgate	16	10	0	
„ admittance of freemen	33	14	0	
„ Thomas' Street	54	10	6	
„ Newhall Market tenants	240	5	0	m. 58 b.
„ petty customs of the markets ...	195	16	11	
„ rents and sums of the Pipe water ...	1666	3	2	
„ rent of the mills at Dolphins Barn ...	13	0	0	
„ cash for willows at the Bason ...	5	0	0	
„ „ for grazing in the Poor-house fields	1	5	0	
„ „ for the city seal	3	0	0	
„ „ for stable manure	4	0	0	
„ „ from Mr. Burton, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Norton: fines for not serving Sheriffs	150	0	0	
„ „ from Mr. Mayor, at interest ...	4000	0	0	
	£13362	1	5¼	

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Cr.	£	s.	d.
By balance of last account	1987	13	11¼
„ annual expenses	1899	14	2
„ gifts and alms	463	0	0
„ debts of the city	2265	11	11
„ arrears of rent	1712	17	6
„ supers of lands	2	18	2
„ lands unknown	27	0	0
„ lands out of the city's possession ...	37	17	0
„ Brooks on Lazy Hill	50	0	0
„ Totty, for houses in Butter lane ...	20	0	0
m. 53 b. „ casual expenses	2772	0	0
	£12238	14	0¼
By cash paid Mr. Daniell, a quarter's salary	300	0	0
„ poundage on £7,700 7s. 5d. ...	385	0	4
„ contingent charges to the treasurer ...	25	0	0

And the said commons, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly, it was granted: the committee's report confirmed, and that the committee appointed for making a new Rent roll do finish the same with all convenient speed, and make particular inquiry into the arrears of rent that are due to the city, and what part thereof is like to be recovered. Rent roll. Arrears of rent.

[2.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee for management of the city pipe water do find that Mr. Darling hath been very diligent in collecting the pipe water revenue, and that he hath received since the 8th October, 1728, to the 7th April, 1729, being part of the pipe water money due the first of November, 1728, amounting to the sum of ... £1124 0 0 City pipe water. Report.

1729. That Mr. Darling hath paid to Alderman Page, as per his receipts appeared before us, amounting to the sum of ... £1054 6 0 Roll xx. m. 53 b.

Allowed for eighteen concealed branches recovered 9 0 0

Allowed by cash paid by said Darling for the discovering said eighteen concealed branches, at five shillings per branch 4 10 0

Allowed for poundage for the above £1,124 at 12d. per pound 56 4 0

All which make the balance of his account of £1124 0 0

Account. 'Which account is returned upon oath by said Darling, and is humbly submitted to your honours, this 14th April, 1729:'

Confirmation. And the said commons, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: it was granted: the committee's report confirmed and the committee continued.

[3.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that for Goddard. some years past the city allowed Mr. Goddard, curate of St. Nicholas' within. St. Nicholas' within, the sum of five pounds yearly for Sermons. preaching lecture sermons to the parishioners thereof, and the said Goddard having neglected to preach the Allowance. same, they prayed that the said allowance be discontinued for the future: it was ordered that said allowance be discontinued for the future.

[4.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that this city having set a lease of some houses and ground in Church street. Church street to George Thornton, deceased, the Thornton. possession of which has been recovered again and vested in this city by due course of law, and the said houses are become ruinous and waste, and therefore prayed that the premises may be set up at cant and set to the fairest bidder for a term of years: it was ordered that the right honourable the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, treasurer,

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masters of the city works, aldermen Quayle, Pearson, Grattan, and six of the commons to be named by the commons, or any five of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs to be always two, be and are appointed a committee to set by cant the premises in the above petition for the term of 99 years in such manner as the said committee shall think fit, and that leases be perfected as the said committee shall direct: 1729. Committee. Sale.

[The six of the commons:] Mayor Aldrich, William Phillpott, Nathaniel Shaw, William Aston, John Sican, Edward Slicer. Commons.

[5.] The churchwardens and parishioners of the parish of St. Mary, Dublin, setting forth that the watch-house belonging to said parish, at the north end of Essex Bridge, being very old and ruinous, and too small to contain a sufficient number of watchmen, and they therefore prayed to have such a quantity of ground as the city should think proper for enlarging said watch-house and making a proper place to keep the water-engines belonging to the parish in: which was referred to a committee, who made the following report: Parish of St. Mary. Watch-house. Enlargement. Committee.

m. 52.

'We, the committee appointed to examine the contents of the within petition of the churchwardens and parishioners of Saint Mary's parish, Dublin, have taken the same into our consideration, and find that the present watch-house at the north end of Essex Bridge is very much out of repair, and not fit for the use of the parish. In order to accommodate the said parish with a convenient watch-house and place to keep the said parish engines in, we are of opinion that nineteen feet in length from the present watch-house be added thereto [at] the east end thereof, six feet whereof to be the same breadth with the old watch-house, and the remainder thirteen feet to be nine feet in breadth, the whole containing 33 feet in length from east to west to the river Liffy, in order to erect a convenient watch-house and engine-house thereon for the use of the said parish, which ground so to be Report. Essex Bridge. Parish engines.

1729. built on we apprehend will be no ways inconvenient to the public, and considerable service to the said parish, a plan whereof is hereto annexed, and submitted, this 1st of April, 1729:' Roll xx. m. 52.

And the said churchwardens praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: it was granted: the committee's report confirmed.

Parish of St. Werburgh. Bequest. Bells. Clock. Steeple. [6.] The churchwardens and parishioners of St. Werburgh, Dublin, setting forth that there is lately devised to the said parish by a gentleman[1] a considerable sum of money, to be laid out in purchasing a ring of six bells and a clock, to be put up in the steeple of St. Werburgh's church, provided that the steeple be finished and ready to receive them within three years from the time of his death, and they therefore prayed that this city would, on this occasion, be pleased to show some mark of their generosity toward enabling said parish to finish the said steeple: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver general of the city revenues do pay the petitioners or their successors the sum of £300, videlicet, the sum of £100, sterling, on the 25th day of March next ensuing; the like sum of £100 on the 25th day of March, 1731, and the further sum of £100 on the 25th day of March, 1732, provided the steeple in the within petition be so sufficiently erected as to receive the bells.

Grant. Payments.

Patrick Delany, D.D. St. Nicholas' within. School. [7.] The Reverend Doctor Patrick Delany and the rest of the subscribers to the charity school of St. Nicholas' Within, Dublin, setting forth that since the 25th of March, 1725, many of the then subscribers have died, and others have removed out of said parish and withdrawn their bounty from said school, by which means the subscriptions are lessened £26 per annum, and that said school is rendered incapable of subsisting without an additional support towards keeping up said school: whereupon it was ordered that the five pounds per annum

[1] James Southwell. *See* "Hist. of City of Dublin," 1854, vol. i., p 33.

Roll xx. m. 52. allowed to Mr. Goddard, curate of St. Nicholas' Within, be discontinued, and the said sum to be paid to the petitioner, Doctor Delany, in pursuance of the above petition. 1729. Goddard. Grant.

[8.] Henry Daniell, setting forth that the valuators chosen to value the city hay, horses, carts, gears, and other materials, could not agree on the valuation thereof, and therefore prayed that the city would fix a price thereon: whereupon it was ordered that the petitioner pay the receiver general of the city revenues the sum of £186 for the city horses, carts, hay and materials, and the said sum to be in full satisfaction for the same. Daniell. Valuation. Horses. Materials.

[9.] The Rev. father in God, John,[1] lord bishop of Clogher, and Thomas Proby, esquire, surviving trustees of the last will of doctor Richard Steevens, deceased, and m. 52 b. Mrs. Grizell Steevens, setting forth that by a former act of assembly this city was pleased to grant a lease for a term of years of a ferry across the river Anna Liffy, from the Hospital which is erected, pursuant to the last will of doctor Steevens, to the Strand near Gallows Hill, and therefore prayed that a lease may be executed to them of said ferry pursuant to a former act of assembly: whereupon it was ordered that leases be perfected to the petitioners, as Mr. Recorder shall advise, according to the prayer of the petition, at the annual rent of 6s. 8d. and capons yearly to the Lord Mayor, the said rent and duties to commence from Michaelmas next. Stearne. Proby. Steevens. Ferry. Liffey. Gallows Hill. Leases. Rent.

[10.] Thomas Bulkeley, clerk, setting forth that being presented some years ago by this city to the vacancy of Rathdrum, in the county of Wicklow, which presentation he still enjoys, but without the benefit of the great tithes thereof, the same having been separated from the small tithes by a lease from this city to sir John Totty for the term of 99 years, commencing Easter 1624, and ending Easter 1773, at £2 10s. per annum, and therefore prayed to have the present annuity of £2 10s. conferred Bulkeley. Rathdrum. Sir John Totty.

[1] John Stearne, Protestant bishop of Clogher, 1717-1745.

1729. on him and his successor during the remainder of the said term of 99 years yet to come and unexpired, and Tithe. after the expiration of the same that the said great tithe may go to the use of the minister presented by this city to the said vicarage: whereupon it was granted during the city's pleasure. Roll xx. m. 52 b.

Jones. [11.] John Jones, setting forth that he requested of Ferry. Mr. John Hornby to bid for the ferry over the river Anna Liffy from Hawkins' wall, for your petitioner's Payment use, and has since paid £500 as a fine for the same, and therefore prayed to have a lease made to him thereof, with such clauses as are contained in the lease that was Singleton. formerly set to Thomas Singleton: whereupon it was granted according to the prayer of the petition, as Mr. Recorder shall advise.

Constantine. [12.] Thomas Constantine, setting forth that at Christmas assembly, 1704, the then Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, commons, and citizens of the said city, did demise to Robert Constantine, late of said city, alderman, deceased, Church street. a messuage in Church street, with a back ground and yard thereunto adjoining, containing in front in breadth, in the east part to the street, 17 feet, and in length, backwards, 351 feet, more particularly described in a Map. map thereof annexed, for the term of 99 years; that in St. John. May, 1719, one Edmond St. John and Bridget, his wife, filed their bill in the high court of chancery in this kingdom, and made this honourable city and said Robert Constantine parties to said bill, and thereby set up a title to said premises, to which alderman Constantine took defence, and the said alderman Constantine, in his lifetime, and the petitioner, since his death, expended in said suit the sum of £63 17s. 6d., and therefore prayed to be allowed said sum in his rent or Committee. otherwise, which was referred to a committee, who made the following report:

Report. 'We, the committee to whom the contents of the annexed petition of Thomas Constantine were referred,

Roll xx. m. 52 b. have examined the allegations thereof, and are of opinion 1729. that in regard it appears by the pleadings in the cause mentioned in the said petition that the said suit was commenced to recover part of the ground demised by this city to the petitioner's uncle, alderman Constantine, deceased, who doth not appear to have built on any ground but what was demised to him by the city, and the petitioner hath paid the expense of defending the city's title thereunto, as appears by his affidavit at the City's title. foot of the bill of costs annexed to said petition, which we have caused to be viewed, and have deducted thereout the sum of £9 13s. 2d., which appears to be expended before the city was made party to the suit, after which there remains due to the petitioner the sum of £54 4s. 4d., which we are of opinion should be allowed the petitioner out of the arrears of rent he owes to the city:

'All which we submit to your honours this 17th day of April, 1729:'

m. 51. And the said Thomas Constantine, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: it was granted: the committee's report confirmed.

[13.] James Langley, setting forth that he is entitled Langley. to two lots on the North Strand, videlicet, no. 98, by the North Strand. acre, and no. 14, by the foot, and no. 129, by the acre, and no. 128, by the foot, and that the deeds are imperfect Deeds. and not witnessed, as also the lease for a year is Lease. wanting, and therefore prayed that new leases may be made to him in his own name of said lots: whereupon it was ordered that the petitioner do lay the state of his case before Mr. Recorder, and procure his opinion thereon: whereupon Mr. Recorder gave the following opinion:

'I am of opinion that on the petitioner's producing the Recorder's opinion. lease and release executed to him by Ashenhurst Isaac, and the lease for a year made by the city to said Ashenhurst Isaac, that leases may be executed to him in his own name on surrendering the said leases and releases to the city: dated this 18th April, 1729.—Francis Stoyte:'

1729. And the said Langley, praying to confirm said opinion: it was ordered that on the petitioner's producing the Lease. lease and release executed to him by Ashenhurst Isaac, Isaac. and the lease for a year made by the city to said Isaac, that a lease of the premises in the within petition be executed to the petitioner on his surrendering the said leases and release to the city, as Mr. Recorder shall advise. Roll xx. m. 51.

Hawkins. [14] John Hawkins, setting forth that he hath been Robbers. serviceable in apprehending several robbers and felons in Felons. this city, and therefore prayed to have a reward for the Reward. same: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver general pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the sum of £10, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

[15.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the Assembly. assembly till nine o'clock: granted.

Walker. [16.] James Walker, merchant, setting forth that the Weigh-master. place of one of the weigh-masters is become vacant by the Weld. death of Mr. Thomas Weld, and therefore prayed to be appointed in the room of said Mr. Weld: whereupon it Grant. was granted during the city's pleasure, he entering into such security and performing all requisites required by the act of parliament, and likewise reimbursing the widow Weld such sums as her husband expended on account of said weigh-houses, and also to secure the rent of the said weigh-houses during his continuance in the said employ.

Harris. [17.] Sarah Harris, praying city's favour: ordered Grant that the receiver general of the city revenues do pay the petitioner £4 per annum on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the same to be paid by half yearly payments, to commence from Easter last, to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

[18.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office. Ballast Office to the general assembly, April 18th, 1729: Report. 'We have not as yet proceeded in making more frames South Bull. for the South Bull, by reason the income of the Office has been so small this winter that sundry sums are yet owing;

Roll xx. m. 51. we must therefore defer making any more until the debts of the Office are discharged. In the meantime we shall repair what damages the frames have sustained last winter, secure the rest as well in fixing our moving perches, and make a security at the Black Rock for our floats and gabbards as soon as possible, in order to have our stones more commodious and at a cheaper rate: 1729. Black Rock.

Ordered to proceed as the committee shall think proper.

'We acquainted your honours last assembly that some of our piles were gone adrift, and that part of the same were received into the possession of my lord Howth and Mr. Vernon. The latter has since delivered what he hath taken up without any charges of saving them, but the lord of Howth not having been in town until a few days ago, we have not had an opportunity to wait on his lordship: Lord Howth. Vernon.

m. 51 b.

'We have bought from Mr. Gibton 40 pieces of oak timber, containing 11 tuns 25 feet at £2 15s. per tun, amounting in all to the sum of £31 19s. 4d., which is not paid for. Timber.

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours:

'Thomas Curtis.—John Porter.—Peter Verdoen.—Percival Hunt.—Joseph Nuttall.—Richard Blair.—William Walker.—James Somervell.—John Vareilles.'

An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from 17th January, 1728[-9], inclusive, to 18th April following, exclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.
To balance given into last assembly	69	18	11
To cash received since of ships, etc., from the 17th January, 1728[-9], inclusive, to the 18th April, 1729, exclusive	589	3	8
	£659	2	7

Per contra, Cr.	£	s.	d.
By sundry disbursements on account of the office from 17th January, 1728[9], inclusive, to 18th April, 1729, exclusive	586	18	0
By balance	72	4	7
	£659	2	7

m. 54. Admissions to franchise. Franchise.

m. 55. Declaration and signatures. Declaration.

1729. 1729. May 3. Roll xx. m. 51 b.

Certain of the commons, setting forth that they are informed their excellencies the lords justices and the right honourable the privy council of this kingdom have under their consideration the reduction of the gold coin, which they conceive will be of ill consequence to the subjects, trade and manufactures, should the same be reduced, but are of opinion that raising the silver coin will greatly tend to the advantage of both, and therefore prayed that such application be made to their excellencies the lords justices and the right honourable the privy council for the purposes aforesaid, as Mr. Recorder shall advise: whereupon it was granted that a memorial be drawn by Mr. Recorder for the purposes in the above petition, to be put under the city seal, to be presented to their excellencies the lords justices and the right honourable the privy council:

Reduction of gold coin.

Silver coin.

m. 50.

Memorial.

Petition.

'The humble representation of the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, commons, and citizens of the city of Dublin:

'To their excellencies the lords justices of Ireland, and the most honourable the privy council of the same.

'May it please your excellencies and lordships:

'We, having heard that you have now under your consideration the lowering of the gold coin of this kingdom, presume to represent to your excellencies and lordships the inconveniency and the consequences which we humbly apprehend will attend such alteration in the value of our gold at this time:

Gold coin.

'The lowering of the gold will be an encouragement to persons to carry it out of the kingdom, and will consequently prevent its importation, since upon the present currency of the moidores[1] those of them that want above three grains are industriously bought up in order to be exported.

Moidores.

'We likewise humbly conceive that it will be greatly

[1] Portuguese gold coins, each worth about twenty-seven shillings.

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prejudicial to our trade, in this respect, that the goods exported from hence will cost the merchant so much more as the said gold will be lowered of its present value, which will discourage the exportation of our commodities: 1729. Trade. Exportation.

'But we beg leave to acquaint your excellencies and lordships that it is our humble opinion that the raising the value of foreign silver in this kingdom will be very beneficial at this juncture, as tending to make a greater plenty of it amongst us: Silver.

'All which is humbly submitted to your excellencies' and lordships' consideration.

'Sealed with the common seal of the said city, and dated this 3rd day of May, 1729.'

m. 58.

1729. July 18.—Fourth Friday after 24th June.

[1.] Thomas Gonne, gentleman, Town Clerk, setting forth that he hath been at great trouble and expense in the execution of two acts of parliament lately made in this kingdom for the relief of poor prisoners for debt, they being discharged without fees, and likewise at every quarter sessions great numbers of felons are discharged without fees, to prevent their being a charge on the city, whereby he is a great sufferer, above £100 per annum: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver general, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, do pay the petitioner £50, sterling, in consideration of his past services, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts, the same being for discharging prisoners for debt, and criminals without fees. Gonne, Town Clerk. Acts of Parliament. Prisoners. Discharge. Felons. Grant.

[2.] Alderman Henry Burrowes, setting forth that under his present misfortunes he is under a necessity of applying for present subsistence for himself and his children: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver of the city revenues do pay to alderman Grattan £30, sterling, for the support of the petitioner and his family, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Burrowes. Payment. Grattan.

[3.] John Knightly, gentleman, setting forth that he Knightly.

1729. solicited an act of parliament made in this kingdom, Roll xx. m. 58.
Coals. to prevent the enhancing the price of coals, and also praying to be considered for his proposal to lessen the price of coals in this kingdom: it was ordered that £27 10s. 6d.,
Allowance. part of the within [named] balance, be allowed the memorialist for his trouble and expense in soliciting the coal bill in England on behalf of this city, and all other business done for this city, and that the remaining £20 of the said balance be allowed him towards carrying on his intended project relating to the coals in this kingdom.

Langley. [4.] James Langley, merchant, setting forth that he is entitled to two lots by the acre and two lots by the foot,
North Strand on the North Strand, videlicet, no. 98 by the acre, and no. 14 by the foot, and No. 129 by the acre, and no. 128 by the foot, the said lots being conveyed and assigned
Isaac. by Ashenhurst Isaac to the petitioner; that the deeds of the lots no. 129 by the acre, and no. 128 by the foot, are
City seal. not duly executed, the city seal not being affixed thereto or witnessed; neither is there any lease for a year, and also the other deeds perfected to said Isaac is not wit-
Deeds. nessed, and therefore prayed to have new deeds perfected to him of said lots as Mr. Recorder shall advise: whereupon it was granted.

Vickers. [5.] James Vickers, merchant, setting forth that he is a freeman of this honourable city near thirty years, and by the assistance of some friends hath got a small
Great Britain. employment in Great Britain, where he and his family design in a short time to go, but, being a considerable time out of business, is reduced in his circumstances,
Relief. and therefore prayed to have some relief in order to enable him and his family to provide necessaries for settling him in his new employment: it was ordered that
Grant. the treasurer, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, do pay the petitioner £15, sterling, the same to be allowed on his m. 58 b. accounts.

M'Cullagh. [6.] Elizabeth M'Cullagh, widow, setting forth that she is the widow of William M'Cullagh of said city, merchant, who served for several years as one of the

Roll xx. m. 58 b.

common council of this city, and at the time of his death left your petitioner and six small children in a very helpless condition: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver general of the city revenues do pay to the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, £20, sterling, the same to be allowed on his accounts. 1729. Common Council. Grant.

[7.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: granted. Assembly.

[8, 9.] George Fletcher and Hugh Clarke, gentlemen, praying to be admitted attornies of the Tholsel court: whereupon it was granted during city's pleasure. Attornies. Tholsel court.

[10.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly, July the 18th, 1729: Ballast Office.

'We acquainted your honours, in our report last assembly, the income of the Ballast Office hath been so small that we could not proceed in making more frames, and since then it has hardly answered the discharging the debts of the Office besides the usual expense, so that we have not been able to make any more frames, but shall, as money comes in, endeavour to procure what timber we can in order to carry on that work early next spring:' Ordered to proceed as money comes in. Report. Income. Frames.

'The two frames last reported to be gone adrift have since been repaired and fixed in their proper place; most of the timber of the same has been delivered to the Office, which was taken up by the lord of Howth and captain Vernon without any charges, and we are now filling and repairing the rest of our frames:

'That by reason of the work on the South Bull not being carried on as expeditiously as the same requires, a deep gut has been made between last summer and this winter at the east end of the frames, which has carried a spit a great way into the channel, very discommodious for ships coming in or going out, and will of consequence be worse if the carrying on the frames into deep water be long delayed, besides the expense of filling the gut yearly being very considerable. South Bull. Ships.

1729. Ballast Office. Parliament. Borrowing clause.

'We are therefore of opinion that application be made to the next sessions of parliament that a borrowing clause be inserted in some public act to empower the Office to raise such sum as is necessary, not exceeding three thousand pounds, in order to finish the frame work or pier on the South Bull next season, to prevent the spitts for the future, which constantly attend our annual work, and, as we believe, will save one third in the usual expense:' Ordered that application be made next session of parliament accordingly. Roll xx. m. 58 b.

Curtis. Committee Attendance.

'Alderman Curtis begs leave to represent to your honours that he has served as one of the committee of directors for several years past, and now entreats your honours will be pleased to dismiss him from further attendance on the said Office, and to appoint another in his place:' Ordered that alderman Curtis, at his own request, be excused from his further attendance on said committee, and that alderman Somervell be appointed instead of said alderman Curtis, and that the commons name a commoner instead of alderman Somervell. Somervell.

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed: all which is humbly submitted to your honours.

'Thomas Curtis.—John Porter.—Joseph Nuttall.—James Somervell.—Peter Verdoen.—William Aldrich.—John Vareilles.—Gilbert King.—Richard Blair.'

An abstract of the Ballast Office account from 18th April, 1729, inclusive, to the 18th July following, exclusive m. 57.

Ballast Office, Dr.	£	s.	d.
To balance given in to last assembly	72	4	7
To cash received since of ships, etc., from the 18th April, 1729, inclusive, to 18th July following, exclusive	1059	19	11
	£1132	4	6

Per contra, Cr.	£	s.	d
By sundry disbursements on account of the Office from 18th April, 1729, inclusive, to 18th July following, exclusive	983	18	0
By balance	148	6	6
	£1132	4	6

Franchise. Admissions to franchise. m. 59.

Declaration. Declaration and signatures. m. 60.

Roll xx. m. 57.

1729. August 29. 1729.

Margaret Burrowes, setting forth that she is the wife Burrowes. of Mr. Robert Burrowes, a freeman of Trinity Guild, and Trinity Guild. one of the common council of said city, and that by the death of Mrs. Bentley the place of city house-keeper is City House-keeper. become vacant, and therefore prayed to be admitted into said employ: whereupon it was granted, during the city's pleasure, at the usual salary of ten pounds per annum and the usual perquisites thereunto belonging.

1729. September 2.

m. 57 b. Certain of the commons, setting forth that whereas the right honourable the Lord Mayor published his Lord Mayor. proclamation, bearing date the 25th of July last, promising the same rewards as were mentioned in a former Proclamation. Rewards. proclamation for apprehending all or any of the rioters Rioters. and their accomplices, over and aboye the rewards mentioned in the proclamation published by order of the lords justices and council, to continue in force to the 23rd of October next, and therefore prayed to have the same confirmed by act of assembly: whereupon it was ordered that the said proclamation be renewed, and the same to continue till the 23rd of October next.

1729. September 22.

m. 56. [1.] Edward Wetenhall, esquire, setting forth that the Wetenhall. committee, to whom the contents of his petition and Committee. former acts of assembly were referred, have made their report of the 12th of September, 1729, instant, which report is as followeth:

'We, the committee to whom the within petition and Report. former acts of assembly relating thereto were referred, have taken the same into our consideration, and find that the premises of which the petitioner desires a lease consist of eight stalls and a little house on the east side of part of Black Dog yard, which Black Dog yard. stalls and necessary house contain in length from north

1729. to south 75 feet to Black Dog yard, on the rear to the east 74 feet in length, in depth from east to west 12 feet, except on the north end, where it is but eight feet deep for the length of 9 feet running to the south, which premises are bounded on the east to the petitioner's inheritance, on the south with the city ground, built on; on the west with the pavement of the east side of part of Black Dog yard, and the north with the city ground built on, which premises are more particularly described in the annexed map we find that the house herein mentioned, heretofore and to the time of removing the same, hath been a common and public nuisance, and will tend more to the interest of the public and the adjoining neighbourhood that the said house be discontinued for the future: Roll xx. m. 56. Map.

'We are of opinion that the petitioner have a lease for lives renewable for ever of the said premises, at the annual rent of £20 and £10 on the fall of every life, the said rent to commence from Michaelmas next, which rent we think to be the full value of the said premises, in regard the same will be set to a responsible and improving tenant: we are likewise of opinion that a clause be inserted in the said lease that when the said premises shall be improved or built upon, that such building of improvement shall not blind any of the lights of a house adjoining the said premises at the north end thereof: which we submit to your honours, this 12th day of September, 1729:' Rent. Value. Tenant. Lights.

And the said Edward Wetenhall, praying to confirm said report, and make the same an act of assembly: it was granted that the committee's report be confirmed, and that leases be perfected as Mr. Recorder shall advise.

[2.] Thomas Thorne, setting forth that the place of collector of the tolls of this city is become vacant by the death of Mr. John Kirkwood, and therefore prayed to be admitted collector of the tolls: whereupon it was granted during the city's pleasure, he giving security for his per- Thorne. Tolls. Kirkwood.

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formance as the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs shall approve of, at the salary of £25 per annum. 1729.

[3.] William Johnson, coachmaker, setting forth that John Smith, one of the officers at mace, through several infirmities, is rendered incapable of doing his duty, and therefore prayed to be admitted into said employ, the said Smith having surrendered the same on the city's accepting of the petitioner; whereupon it was granted during the city's pleasure, he giving such security as the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs shall approve of to indemnify the city. Johnson. Officers at mace.

m. 64.

1729. October 17.—Third Friday after 29 September.

Lord Mayor: Peter Verdoen; Sheriffs: David Tew and John Stern.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the project for supplying the city with Irish coals, proposed to the honourable house of commons, be approved of in parliament, that the city may give some encouragement for that purpose, and therefore prayed that the city would contribute towards carrying on so useful an undertaking: whereupon it was ordered that it is the opinion of this assembly that if the project for supplying this city with Irish coals now proposed to the honourable house of commons be approved of in parliament, that then the Corporation of this city will contribute to the carrying on of the said project. Irish coals. Dublin. Parliament.

[2.] Edward Butler, clerk to the right honourable the Lord Mayor, setting forth that his Lordship's being elected into the Mayoralty of this city hath been at great expense to support the dignity of the same, and therefore prayed the usual allowance; whereupon it was ordered that the receiver-general of the city revenues do pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the sum of £500, sterling, for his Lordship's use, one moiety to be paid at Christmas next, and the other at midsummer next, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Mayoralty. Expense. Payment.

[3.] Edward Butler, clerk to alderman Page, late Lord Page, Lord Mayor.

1729. Expenditure. Augmentation. Burrowes. Debts. Mayoralty. Committee.

Mayor, setting forth that the expense attending the station of Lord Mayor is much greater than formerly, and therefore prayed to have the usual augmentation for said alderman Page's use: whereupon it was ordered that £400 sterling be paid the petitioner as the usual augmentation for the uses following: First, that alderman Page's charge and expense during the time that he acted as Lord Mayor the last year be paid thereout, and that the remaining part of said £400 be applied towards the payment of alderman Burrowes's debts contracted for the support of the Mayoralty while he was Lord Mayor, in such manner and proportions as the committee appointed for the purpose shall think fit, and that the said committee do likewise inspect and examine the said alderman Page's accounts. Roll xx. m. 64.

Sheriffs. Expenses. Payment.

[4.] Thomas Gonne, gentleman, Town Clerk, setting forth that it is apparent what great expense the late Sheriffs have been at, and a great part of their income arising by that office being very much lessened by virtue of a late act of parliament, so that it could not defray half their charge, and therefore prayed to have the same taken into consideration: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver-general of the city revenues do pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, for the late Sheriffs' use, £200: videlicet, £100 to each, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. m. 64 b.

Wybrants.

[5.] Bartholomew Wybrants, setting forth that he officiates as clerk to the commons, and therefore prayed to be considered for his said service: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver-general of the city revenues do pay the petitioner the sum of £10, sterling, the same to be allowed him on his accounts.

Betts. Geoghegan. Fishamble street.

[6.] Richard Betts, slater, setting forth that he is tenant to Mr. Terence Geoghegan, who is lessee to this honourable city for a plot of ground in Fishamble street, Dublin, for the term of 38 years, or thereabouts, at forty pounds per annum, on which piece of ground he built two

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new dwelling houses, which were near finished; that on 1729.
the first day of July last an accidental fire broke out in Fire.
one of said houses, which burned the same to the ground,
and the other is very much damaged, so that your petitioner's loss thereby may be reasonably computed to three Loss.
hundred pounds, sterling, and therefore prayed that in regard Mr. Geoghegan has quitted his title of renewing said lease to him, and his present misfortunes, to have a lease of said premises in reversion: which was referred to a committee, who made the following report: Committee.

'We, the committee to whom the contents of the within Report.
petition were referred, have viewed and surveyed the premises therein mentioned, whereon were built two new houses by the petitioner, containing the number of feet each way, and bounded as follows: the front to the west, bounded by the pavement of the east side of Fishamble Fishamble street.
street, 31 feet three quarters in the clear, or 32 feet and a half, including half the north and south walls; the side to the north, bounded by Mr. Donelan's holding, 55 feet in depth; the rear in breadth, bounded by Mr. Curry's holding, 30 feet and a quarter in the clear, or 30 feet 8 inches, including half the north wall; the side to the south, bounded by Mr. Rider's holding, 55 feet in depth: it appears to us that the city, at Christmas assembly, 1666, demised the said premises to Daniel Wybrants for 99 years Wybrants.
from Easter then next ensuing, at the annual rent of £3; that 37 years of the said lease from Easter last are yet to come and unexpired, and for which term of 37 years the petitioner prays the annual rent of £40: we are to inform your honours that the petitioner's sufferings have been very great by an accidental fire that happened last summer in Fishamble street, in one of the said new houses, by means whereof that and the other new house adjoining to it, having also taken fire, were considerably Fire.
consumed by the said fire, to the petitioner's great damage: in regard the petitioner hath been a great sufferer by the said fire, and that there are 37 years of

1729. Lease. Rent. the old lease to come, we are of opinion that he will have a lease for 61 years, in reversion of the said lease demised to said Daniel Wybrants, at the annual rent of thirty pounds, to commence in reversion as aforesaid, and that the ancient reserved rent of three pounds per annum be paid for said premises until Easter, 1766, being the determination of the old lease, and from which time the increased rent is to commence; a map of the premises is hereto annexed: which we submit to your honours, this 12th September, 1729:' Roll xx. m. 64 b. m. 63.

And the said Richard Betts, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: it was Grant. granted that the committee's report be confirmed, and that leases be drawn and perfected as Mr. Recorder shall advise.

Forrest, City Marshal. [7.] John Forrest, city marshal, setting forth that he hath sustained great loss by discharging above seventy persons, who had lately the benefit of the act of grace, without paying him any chamber rent, which renders him Rent. unable to pay the arrear of rent due to the city, and therefore prayed to be relieved: which was referred to a committee, who made the following report:

Report. 'We, the within committee, have considered the petitioner's allegations, and find he has been a very great sufferer by the late act of grace, and produced to us Losses. accounts whereby he had been a loser above £500, in regard he will owe the city three years' rent for the city Marshalsea. Marshalsea at Michaelmas next: we are of opinion that on the petitioner's paying down £100, that the remaining part of the said arrears be remitted him to Michaelmas aforesaid, and that he likewise pay John Smith in full for his demand six pounds, the said £100 to be paid before next assembly day, otherwise to have no benefit by this report: which we submit to your honours, this 11th September, 1729:'

And the said John Forrest, setting forth that he had received notice of the kind report made on his petition,

Roll xx. m. 63. which orders him to pay down £100, sterling, before the next assembly, and therefore prayed that in regard to the general scarcity of money, and some payments due to him which he cannot as yet get in, this city would indulge him to next assembly for his paying down said £100: whereupon it was granted, the committee's report confirmed upon condition the petitioner do pay the sum of £100, sterling, before next assembly to the receiver general of the city revenues. 1729. Grant.

[8.] Sylvanus Pepyat, city stationer, praying to have a committee appointed to examine his accounts, which was accordingly referred to a committee, who made the following report: Pepyat, City Stationer

'We, the within committee, have examined the petitioner's account, which is hereto annexed, and we find that the prices therein agree with the rates agreed on by acts of assembly, and that the said account amounts to £130 14s. 10d., which sum we are of opinion be paid the petitioner in full of his said account, and for the future that he deliver no goods on the city's account but where he has a proper order and receipt for the same: which we submit to your honours, this 16th September, 1729:' Report.

And the said Sylvanus Pepyat, praying to confirm said report, and make the same an act of assembly: it was ordered that the receiver-general of the city revenue do pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, £130 14s. 10d., sterling, pursuant to the committee's report, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Payment.

[9.] John Ryan, gentleman, praying to be admitted an attorney of the Tholsel Court: whereupon it was granted during city's pleasure. Ryan. Tholsel court.

m. 63 b. [10.] John Ryan, joiner, setting forth that he hath served as master and warden of the corporation of joiners of said city, and by many misfortunes is very much reduced in his circumstances: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver-general of the city revenues do Corporation of Joiners

1729. Grant. pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, £10, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Roll xx. m. 63 b.

Assembly. [11.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: whereupon it was granted.

Gillmor, Napper's Regiment [12.] Thomas Gillmor, a trooper in brigadier Napper's regiment of horse, setting forth that on the 18th day of August last, about the hour of ten o'clock at night, he

Rioters. Cavan bail was set on by five or six rioters called Cavan bail, who most barbarously wounded him; that he used the utmost of his endeavours against them, and killed one of them and wounded several others, and therefore prayed to be considered for his service: ordered that the receiver

Payment. general of the city revenues do pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, £15, sterling, the same to be allowed on his accounts.

Water-Bailiffs. [13.] John Jones and Augustin Thwaites, Water-Bailiffs, praying to be continued in their employ: granted during the city's pleasure.

Hawkins. Newgate. [14.] John Hawkins, keeper of Newgate, praying to be continued in his employ: granted during city's pleasure.

[15.] Greenwood Hanna, Francis McCann, William Justus, Robert Goodwin, Mathew Wrightson, and William

Officers at mace. Johnston, officers at mace, praying to be continued in their several employs: granted during city's pleasure.

[16.] The report of the committee of directors for the

Ballast Office. Ballast Office to the general assembly, October 17th, 1729:

Report. 'We have not this last season made any new frames, and have only repaired the works on the South Bull, by reason the income of the Office has been so small, that all the money received has been but sufficient to pay the several debts due by the Office.

'We have likewise employed our two new gabbards in

Channel. dredging ballast out of the channel, and have ordered the same to be thrown out on both sides of the piles on the

South Bull. South Bull, to secure them against any damage that may happen them during the winter season.

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'We have bought from Mr. Vareilles 99 pieces of oak timber, containing 15 tuns, 17 feet and a half, at 45s. per tun, amounting to the sum of £34 3s. 5d., which is paid. 1729. Oak.

m. 62.

'We beg leave to inform your honours that we have caused [to be measured], as we likewise have been present in measuring, several ships formerly measured by Edward Morton, one of the supervisors belonging to the Office (who was appointed to measure all ships for about six years past), and we find that sundry of the same have been measured under their several burthens, very much to the prejudice of the Office; and to prevent such mistakes or evil practices for the future, we have therefore ordered all ships to be measured over again, and their several dimensions entered in a new book for that purpose:' Measurements of ships.

Ordered that Edward Morton, one of the supervisors of the Ballast Office, be suspended from his said employ, and that the committee do make further inquiry into his conduct and the other persons employed in said Office, and report the same to the next assembly, the said suspension to continue till next assembly. Morton. Suspension.

An abstract of the cash hereunto annexed: all which is humbly submitted to your honours:—John Porter.—Joseph Nuttall.—William Aldrich.—Gilbert King.—Richard Blair.—Philip Pearson.—Caspar White.—William Walker.—David Latouche.—John Vareilles.'

'An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 18th July, 1729, inclusive, to the 17th October following, exclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To balance given in to last assembly	148	6	6
To cash received since of ships, etc., from the 18th July, 1729, inclusive, to the 17th of October following, exclusive	980	5	9
	£1128	12	3

1729. Per contra, Cr. Roll xx. m. 62.

	£	s.	d.
By sundry disbursements on account of the Office, from the 18th July, 1729, inclusive, to the 17th of October following, exclusive ...	918	11	8
By Balance	210	0	7
	£1128	12	3

Franchise. Admissions to franchise. m. 65.

Declaration. Declarations and signatures. m. 73.

1729. November 5.

Certain of the commons, setting forth that whereas m. 62 b.
Law suit. there is a law suit commenced wherein this honourable
Jones. city is concerned, and Lewis Jones, being a material witness in behalf of this city, and he being a freeman, will not be admitted to give evidence, and praying to have said Lewis Jones disfranchised: it was granted according to the prayer of the petition.

1729. November 7.

Certain of the commons, setting forth that on Satur-
Town Clerk. day, the 15th day of November instant, the Town Clerk was served with two several orders from a committee of
House of lords. the right honourable the house of lords, appointed to examine into the several churchwardens and directors of
Watch. the watch of this city, and the scavengers of the same,
Scavengers. by one of which the said Town Clerk is ordered to lay before the said lords' committees the several charters of the city of Dublin:

And by the other order he is directed to lay before
City books. the said committee at the same time the city books wherein the treasurer's accounts are contained for seven years past:

And therefore prayed to have such order made therein as should be thought proper: whereupon it was ordered that the Town Clerk do comply with the orders of the
Lords' committee. said lords' committees.

Roll xx. m. 62 b. 1729-30. January 16.—Fourth Friday after 25 December, 1729. 1729-30.

m. 71. [1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that there are great sums due to this city for arrears of rent by sundry tenants, which disables this city from making punctual payments of the great demands that are daily upon the same; that alderman Pearson, the present receiver-general, having lately come into said office, which may not be known to several of the city tenants, and we believe it would contribute very much to the getting in of said arrears if advertisements were published, requiring all the city tenants forthwith to pay in their respective rents and all arrears due to Michaelmas last to the said receiver-general; or in case of non-payment the same may be sued for, and therefore prayed that proper advertisements be forthwith printed and published: whereupon it was orded that the annexed advertisement be immediately printed and published, and that the several city tenants or their assigns be served with the same, which advertisement is as followeth: City. Arrears of rent. Pearson, receiver-general. Tenants.

'Whereas there are great sums due to this city for arrears of rent due by sundry tenants, by means whereof the city is disabled from making punctual payments of the great demands which daily are upon it: this is to give notice that all tenants of this city do forthwith pay in their respective rents and all arrears due to Michaelmas last to alderman Nathaniel Pearson, present receiver-general for the city of Dublin, otherwise they will be proceeded against according to law.' Advertisement.

m. 71 b. [2.] Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, sir William Fownes, aldermen Barkey, Quayle, Forbes, Curtis, Porter, Kane, Burton, and Grattan, and eighteen of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any nine of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs to be always two, are appointed auditors of the city accounts for the last year, according to the committee's report of June, 1724, and April, 1729: Auditors of City accounts

[The eighteen of the commons:] William Aldrich,

1729-30. Richard Blair, Vincent Kidder, John Macarrell, Nathaniel Shaw, Gilbert King, David Chaigneau, Ralph Blundell, William Aston, Edward Hunt, John Twigg, John Sican, John Edkins, Charles Ward, Edmond French, Richard Butler, William Archdall, Mathew Walker. Roll xx. m. 71 b.

Committee of Water-course. [3.] Committee of the water-course: Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, treasurer, master of city works, aldermen Curtis, Empson, Hunt, How, Nuttall, Dawson, and twelve of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any nine of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs to be always two, be and are appointed a committee to view the water-course:

[The twelve of the commons:] Vincent Kidder, Charles Hendrick, John Sican, Philip Pearson, Edmond French, John Nicholson, John Usher, Thomas Cook, George Tucker, Richard Butler, Henry Martin, Patrick Sinclaire.

City works. [4.] Mr. John Holliday and Mr. Benjamin Archer are elected masters of the city works for the next ensuing year.

Dean Swift. Freedom of City. [5.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the Reverend Dean Swift is admitted a freeman of this honourable city, and therefore prayed that the freedom thereof may be presented to him in a gold box: whereupon it was order that the Reverend Dean Swift be presented with the freedom of this city in a gold box, the value thereof not to exceed twenty five pounds.

Gold box.

Holliday, Archer, Sheriffs. Land Gabel. [6.] Messieurs John Holliday and Benjamin Archer, late Sheriffs, setting forth that at Michaelmas assembly, 1721, it was ordered that the usage of collecting six pence per house by the name of Land gabel money should be omitted for the future, and that the late Sheriff might have a consideration in lieu thereof, and therefore prayed to have an equivalent in lieu of the same; whereupon it was ordered that the receiver-general, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, pay the petitioners thirty

Payment. m. 70.

Roll xx. m. 70.

pounds, videlicet, £15, sterling, to each, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. 1729-30.

[7.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that John Hawkins, keeper of Newgate, in this city, for several misbehaviours in said employ hath been suspended from the same, and therefore prayed that he may be displaced from said office: whereupon it was ordered that John Hawkins be displaced from his being keeper of Newgate. Hawkins. Newgate. Displacement.

[8.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that William O'Neill, one of the serjeants at mace, as he attended his duty at the Tholsell on Tuesday, the thirteenth of January instant, did in a public and insolent manner insult Mr. Sheriff Sterne's lady, and therefore prayed that such order may be made against the said O'Neill as may deter any other of the city servants from misbehaving in their several stations: ordered that William O'Neill be suspended during the pleasure of the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs. O'Neill, sergeant-at-mace. Tholsel. Suspension.

[9.] Thomas Griesdall of Ringsend, surveyor setting forth that the chapel of Irishtown, near Ringsend, being much out of repair, he expended the sum of thirty pounds in repairing the same, and therefore prayed that this city would contribute towards defraying said expense: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver-general of the city revenues do pay the petitioner £10, sterling, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Griesdall. Irishtown. Ringsend.

[10.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: granted. Assembly.

[11.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that Lewis Jones, having been a freeman and a material evidence in behalf of this city, could not be examined unless disfranchised, and was disfranchised accordingly last post assembly, and therefore prayed that (in regard said Jones hath been since examined) he may be restored to his former freedom: whereupon it was granted according to the prayer of the above petition. Jones. Disfranchisement.

1729-30. Nelson. Tholsel court. [12.] Richard Nelson, gentleman, praying to be admitted an attorney of the Tholsell court: granted during the city's pleasure. Roll xx. m. 70.

Assembly. [13.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly further till eleven o'clock: granted. m. 70 b.

Sheppy. [14.] Joshua Sheppy, skinner, setting forth that he hath been an ancient freeman and inhabitant of this honourable city, and through many troubles and misfortunes is much reduced, and therefore prayed that his present case might be taken into consideration: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver-general of the city Grant. revenues do pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the sum of £10, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Murdough. [15.] John Murdough, peruke maker, setting forth that he hath been a freeman and inhabitant of this city upwards of thirty years; that by the decay of trade and other misfortunes he is much reduced, and therefore prayed some relief: whereupon it was ordered that the Payment. receiver-general of the city revenues do pay the petitioner £10, sterling, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Ballast Office. [16.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly, January 16th, 1729-30:

'In pursuance to your honours' orders of last assembly, we have made all possible inquiry into the conduct of Morton. Ships. Edward Morton (then by your honours suspended), and the other persons employed in the Ballast Office, and by Measurement. the measurement since of all ships over again, we find great difference in the tonnage of many measured within the space of six years, during which time no other persons have been employed in that service but said Edward Morton: ordered that the suspension of said Edward Morton be taken off, and that he be employed in such business in the office as the committee shall think fit.

Roll xx. m. 70 b.

'We have hitherto employed the two new gabbards in backing the frames with gravel, and the two floats in filling the new frames with stones, which stand very well, notwithstanding the strong and many easterly winds of this season; but the old frames and piles we find very much decayed by the worms, and they will require repairs and more to be supported in backing with stones, which we now entirely are deprived of since Mr. Clanachan's quarry is drowned with water, so that we for the future can have no other dependance for stones but from the Black Rock, and we are of opinion that if a dry stone wall for a security for the gabbards was made there, in place of the frames formerly proposed and ordered to be fixed there, the same would not only be cheaper done, but more to be depended on and lasting:' Ordered to proceed as the committe shall think proper. 1729-30. Frames. Winds. Worms. Stones. Quarry. Black Rock.

m. 69.

'We beg leave to acquaint your honours that by desisting in proceeding with the frame work to the eastward last season for want of money, a greater gut than usual is made at the end thereof by the flood tides, which has occasioned a great spit or bank to the north east of the same running into the harbour, and it is hoped that if a spur of triangular chestwork was made and fixed from the end of said frames to the south east, the same would not only be a security to the frames, but likewise direct the tide another way, and consequently said gut will be filled, the spit removed and prevented for the future:' Ordered to proceed as the committee think fit. Frames. Flood tides.

'We further observe that the bank above the west end of the frame is very much carried away by the flood tides through Cock Lake into the harbour, and we are of opinion that if the work across the same be carried upward next season, it would very much tend to the good of the harbour and the safety of shipping at the bank side and upwards:' Ordered to proceed as the committee shall think fit. Bank. Cock Lake.

'Your committee further represent to your honours Committee.

1729-30. Ballast Office. that most of them have attended the service of the Office to the utmost of their power for several years past; they humbly, therefore, now entreat your honours will be pleased to dismiss them from further attendance on said Office and to appoint a new one :' Ordered that aldermen Porter, Nuttall, French, How, Grattan, Dawson, and twelve of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any five of them, be and are hereby appointed a committee of directors for the Ballast Office. Roll xx. m. 69.

[The twelve of the commons :] Daniel Faukiner, David Chaigneau, Nathaniel Shaw, John Macarell, Philip Pearson, William Aldrich, Caspar White, Henry Daniell, Luke Gaven, Richard Walker, Thomas Cooke, George Tucker.

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed :

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours :

'John Porter.—Joseph Nuttall.—William Aldrich.—Gilbert King.—John Macarell.—William Walker.—Caspar White—Philip Pearson.'

An abstract of the Ballast Office accounts from the 17th October, 1729, inclusive, to the 16th January following, exclusive :

Ballast Office, Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To balance given in to last assembly	210	0	7
To cash received since of ships, etc., from the 17th October, 1729, inclusive, to the 16th January following, exclusive	533	13	11
	£744	14	6

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	£	s.	d.
By sundry disbursements on account of the Office, from the 17th October, 1729, inclusive, to the 16th January following, exclusive	688	16	8
By balance	54	17	10
	£743	14	6

N.B.—Of the above balance there has been paid for repairs of the west end of the North Wall, which is charged to the city account £35 1 4½

Franchise. Admissions to franchise. m. 72.

Declaration. Declaration and signatures. m. 73.

Roll xx. m. 69 b.

1729-30. February 2. 1729-30.

[1.] John Vernon, esquire, setting forth that he embraces the first opportunity upon Mrs. Vernon's death, to offer his professions of peace and friendship, and whatever disputes have happened, either in law or equity, may, if possible, be ended in an amicable manner either by reference or such terms as may be agreeable on both sides: whereupon it was ordered that Mr. Vernon lay his proposals before the next general assembly. John Vernon.

[2.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that Essex Bridge walls being greatly impaired by ships mooring in the river near the arches of the said Bridge, and by which said Bridge is also in danger of being broken down, and therefore prayed that some order may be made to prevent ships from mooring so near said Bridge: whereupon it was ordered that the water bailiffs do hinder all shipping from mooring near the arches of the said Bridge, and to cause such as are now moored near the said Bridge to remove from the same. Essex Bridge. Walls. Arches. Ships. Moorings. Water-Bailiffs.

[3.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that there is a law-suit depending wherein the city is concerned, and John Moffitt, gentleman, being a material witness in behalf of this city, and as he is a freeman of this city, will not be admitted to give evidence therein, and therefore prayed that the said John Moffitt be disfranchised: whereupon it was granted according to the prayer of the petition. Law-suit. Moffitt. Disfranchisement.

[4.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the time mentioned in a proclamation formerly issued, promising a reward for apprehending several rioters, being elapsed, and very few of them being apprehended, as great disorders happen as before the issuing of the same, and therefore prayed that a proclamation do issue promising a reward for apprehending such rioters and their accomplices: whereupon it was ordered that a proclamation be forthwith published for apprehending said rioters and their accomplices, in the said proclamation by the Lord Mayor's Proclamation. Rioters.

1729-30. Reward. Limit. order to be inserted, and that the reward do not exceed ten pounds for apprehending any one person, the same to be paid in such manner as the bench of justices of peace shall think fit. Roll xx. m. 69 b.

1729-30. February 16. m. 68.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that an order for an injunction was granted by the right honourable the lord chancellor of this kingdom to quiet Mr. William Maple in possession of part of the North Strand against John Vernon, esquire, and others entering and quarrying thereon; that said John Vernon having appealed to the house of lords of Great Britain against the said order, and to have the same reversed, and by order of the house of lords said Maple is to put in his answer thereto by the 4th of March next, and therefore prayed that a proper person be appointed to go to Great Britain with the papers relating to said cause, in order to defend the city's title to said Strand: whereupon it was ordered that the right honourable the Lord Mayor and Mr. Recorder do appoint a proper person to solicit the appeal mentioned in the within petition before the house of lords of Great Britain, and that the expense thereof be paid by the receiver-general of the city revenue, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the same to be allowed on his accounts.

Chancery. Maple. North Strand. Vernon. House of lords in England. City's title Appeal.

[2.] Thomas Tatterson and Paul Farrell, setting forth that they have been serviceable in apprehending several of the rioters and their accomplices, and therefore prayed to be considered for the same: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver general of the city revenues do pay the petitioners, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, six pounds, sterling, videlicet, three to each, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Tatterson. Farrell. Rioters. Payment.

1729-30. February 23. m. 68 b.

Henry Daniell, setting forth that he hath been at a much greater expense in cleansing the streets of this city

Daniell. Cleansing streets.

Roll xx. m. 68 b.

than what the city allowed him for the same, and therefore prayed to be paid for his stock and improvements, and also to free him from his agreement for undertaking said work: which was referred to a committee, who made the following report: 1729-30. Committee

'We, the committee to whom the contents of the petition were referred, appointed two valuators, who were all sworn to appraise the respective particulars to which they have subscribed their names, and is hereunto annexed, amounting to the sum of £320 16s. 1¼d., and your committee examined and valued the respective buildings and improvements made by said Daniell in the stable yard, which amounted to £57 19s. 4½d.; and the committee viewed and examined the accounts of the said Daniell relating to his respective receipts and disbursements, to the truth of which the said Daniell hath voluntarily made oath, and also produced vouchers for most of the considerable articles in said accounts, and that it appears by the said accounts, which are hereunto annexed, that the sum of £763 2s. 3½d. has been disbursed by said Daniell to the first of February instant more than he has received; and that the said sums of £320 16s. 1¼d. and £57 19s. 4½d. being deducted out of said sum of £763 2s. 3½d., there remains to balance £384 6s. 9¼d.: which we submit to your honours, this 3rd day of February, 1729:' Report. Valuation. Accounts.

And the said Henry Daniell, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: it was ordered that the committee who made the report of the 23rd February instant, or any three of them, do forthwith receive from the said Henry Daniell the several particulars in the annexed valuations mentioned, and that they make an estimate of such particulars as are wanting and a proper deduction for the same, and that the said committee, or any five of them, do employ such servants as they think necessary for taking care of the horses, carts, hay, and oats, and all other materials in Materials.

1729-30. Wages. Expenses. said valuation, and to draw on the treasurer from time to time for said wages and other expenses relating to the effectual cleansing of the streets, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts, and that the Payment. treasurer do pay the said Henry Daniell the amount of the annexed valuation, deducting as aforesaid, and also Improvements. the sum of £57 19s. 4½d., for his improvements, all which to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts, and the further consideration of this report be referred to the next general assembly. Roll xx. m. 68 b.

1729-30. March 10. m. 67.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that there is a present necessity for buying a quantity of hay and Scavengers. other materials for carrying on the scavengers' work, which the committee for that purpose apprehending they are not empowered to buy, and that by order of assembly the said committee, or any five of them, are directed to draw on the receiver-general for all sums of money to be paid by him for said account, which lays the manager of Stables. the stables under great difficulties in getting his weekly bills signed by a sufficient number of said committee, and therefore prayed to have said committee empowered to buy hay and all other materials for the more effectual carrying on the said work, and that three of such committee be a sufficient number to order payment of said Expenses. weekly bills and other expenses relating to said work: whereupon it was granted according to the prayer of the above petition.

Daniell. [2.] Henry Daniell, setting forth that he hath continued Cleansing streets. at the expense of cleansing the streets of the city to the first of March instant, and hath been under a necessity of drawing on the receiver-general for the salary due to him to said first of March instant, and therefore prayed to Salary. have said salary paid him to the first of March instant: Payment. whereupon it was ordered that the petitioner be paid by the receiver general all such salary as was due to him

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from the city as city scavenger to the first of March instant, 1729-30, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. 1729-30.

[3.] Ann Burreau, widow, setting forth that this honourable city being indebted to her by obligation under the city seal in the sum of one thousand pounds, and therefore prayed to be paid the sum: whereupon it was ordered that the petitioner be paid the sum of one thousand pounds due to her from the city, and that the interest due thereon on which she is to deliver up the city obligation be cancelled, and that the sum of £1,000 be borrowed from the Blue coat Hospital at five per cent., in order to discharge the above debt and interest. Burreau. City debt.

m. 76.

1730. April 10.—Second Friday after Easter.[1]

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that his grace John,[2] archbishop of Dublin, hath on all occasions shewed himself a true friend to this city, and on particular affairs exerted himself for the interest thereof, and therefore prayed as a mark of the city's gratitude that his grace be presented with the freedom of the city in a gold box: whereupon it was granted, and that the expense thereof do not exceed thirty pounds. Archbishop of Dublin. Franchise. Gold box.

[2.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that it hath been usual for this city to give some annual allowance or present relief for the support of such of the aldermen, Sheriffs' peers and common-council-men as should apply and really be in need of the same, and, in order that the giving such allowances and reliefs for the future may be put on a more proper footing than formerly, therefore prayed that hereafter no yearly allowance or present support or application be granted to any alderman, Sheriffs' peer or common-council-man, or to any person or persons in trust for them, or for their use, or for the support or use of their wives, children or families, until such time as such alderman, Sheriffs' peers, or common- Allowances. Aldermen. Common-council-men.

[1] Easter day, 29 March, 1730. [2] John Hoadly, appointed Primate in 1742.

1729-30. Resignation. council-men do first resign to the city the office or place of alderman, Sheriffs' peer or common-council-man: Whereupon it was ordered that for the future no yearly allowance or present support by way of charity on application be granted to any alderman, Sheriffs' peer or common-council-man, or to any person or persons in trust for them, or for their use, or for the support or use of their wives, children or families, until such time as such alderman, Sheriffs' peer or common-council-man do first resign to the city the office or place of alderman, Sheriffs' peer, or common-council-man, and that no yearly allowance that hath been formerly granted be continued to any of the aforesaid persons, or to any body in trust for them, their wives, children, or families, if they do not resign to the city their aforesaid respective place or offices. Roll xx. m. 76.

[3.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee appointed for management of the city pipe water have made their report of the 3rd of April, 1730, instant, which report is as followeth:

City pipe-water committee.

Report. 'We, the committee appointed for the management of the city pipe water revenue, do find that Mr. Darling hath been very diligent in collecting for the city pipe water and settling the same: we likewise find that Mr. Darling hath received since the 7th day of April, 1729, to 10th October, 1729, the sum of £558 15s., being the close of the whole year's account to the 1st of November, 1729: m. 76 b.

Receipts.

Account.

	£	s.	d.
Cash paid alderman Page, as by his receipts appeared	514	11	3
By 17 concealed branches discovered ...	8	10	0
„ cash paid for discovering said branches	4	5	0
„ „ for change for carrying on the whole year's collection	3	10	0
By poundage of £558 15s. at 12d. per pound	27	18	9
Which makes the balance of the above account	£558	15	0

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'Which said sum of £558 15s., added to the sum of £1,124, accounted for and settled last Easter assembly, 1729, amounts in the whole to the sum of £1,682 15s., being the total cash received for the whole year due and ending 1st November, 1728. 1729-30. Account.

	£	s.	d.
'We likewise find that Mr. Darling hath received since 10th October, 1729, to 24th March, 1729-30, the sum of ... ... being part of the pipe water money due 1st November, 1729.	1133	6	4
Cash paid alderman Pearson, as per his receipts	1067	13	4
By 12 concealed branches discovered ...	6	0	0
„ Cash paid for discovering said branches	3	0	0
„ Poundage for £1,133 6s. 4d. at 12d. per pound	56	13	0
Which makes the balance of his account of	£1133	6	4

'Which accounts are returned upon oath by said Darling.

'We are further to inform your honours that Mr. Darling hath observed to us that several public inns have the benefit of the pipe water at twenty shillings per annum, which make use of a great quantity of water and let the same run to great waste: therefore we are of opinion that all public inns pay each forty shillings per annum, to commence from 1st of November, 1730: Public inns. Waste.

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours, this 4th of April, 1730:'

And the said commons, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: whereupon it was granted that the committee's report be confirmed, the committee continued, and that all hucksters do for the future pay each thirty shillings per annum. Hucksters.

[4.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the

1729-30. Tolls and customs. committee appointed for tolls and customs have made some progress in the matter to them referred, but by reason of the shortness of time have not brought the same to a conclusion: whereupon it was granted, the Committee. former committee continued, and that they be called together with all convenient speed, and that for the future, where any vacancy shall happen by the death or Collectors. removal of any of the collectors of the tolls and customs, in such case the Lord Mayor to summon the whole committee within ten days after such death or removal, in order to fill up such vacancies, without fee or reward, with decayed citizens that shall be thought capable for that business. Roll xx. m. 76 b.

Henry Daniell. [5.] Henry Daniell, setting forth that the committee to whom the contents of his petition were referred, made their report thereon, by which it appears that there is a balance due to him for disbursements, £384 6s. 9½d., and therefore prayed to be paid the same: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver general of the city revenues do pay to the petitioner the sum of £384 6s. 9½d., sterling, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, on this special consideration, that the same is in full of all demands he Scavenger. hath on the city on account of his being scavenger, or any claim that he may hereafter make on account of his expense, trouble or otherwise in relation to his being scavenger; the said sum to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. m. 75.

Richard Grattan. Burrowes. [6.] Alderman Richard Grattan, in behalf of the children of alderman Henry Burrowes, setting forth that the said alderman Burrowes, having served as Lord Mayor of this city, through many troubles and misfortunes is much reduced in his circumstances, and is not able to support and educate said children, and therefore prayed Allowance. an allowance for said children's use: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver general of the city revenues do pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, for the use and support of the children of said alderman

Roll xx. m. 75. Burrowes, the sum of £20, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. 1729-30.

[7.] John Lord, weaver, setting forth that by the decay of trade, and many other misfortunes, he is reduced low in his circumstances, and therefore prayed to be relieved: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver general of the city revenues do pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the sum of £30, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Lord. Grant.

[8.] Patrick Forbes, merchant, setting forth that he is a freeman and ancient inhabitant of this honourable city, and that the place of one of the weigh-masters of said city is become vacant by the resignation of Mr. James Walker, and therefore prayed to be admitted into the said station: whereupon it was granted during the city's pleasure, he giving security to perform all the requisites required by the act. Forbes. Weigh-master. Walker.

[9.] Elizabeth Dixon, setting forth that she has lived in good credit in this honourable city, but by the death of her friends and other misfortunes is reduced to great want, and therefore prayed to be relieved: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver general of the city revenues do pay the petitioner £10, sterling, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Dixon. Payment.

[10.] Henry Daniell and John Bourn, executors of Mrs. Barbara Forrest, deceased, setting forth that this city were pleased to allow said Mrs. Forrest £40 per annum, and that but two days after her death half a year's allowance became due, and they were obliged to pay the funeral expenses out of the pocket, and therefore prayed that this city would allow them the said half year's allowance: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver general of the city revenues do pay the petitioners, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the sum of £20, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Forrest. Allowance m. 75 b.

1729-30. Assembly. [11.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: whereupon it was granted. Roll xx. m. 75 b.

Tholsel court. [12.] John Kelly, gentleman, praying to be admitted an attorney of the Tholsell court: granted during city's pleasure.

Goodwin, officer of commons. [13.] Robert Goodwin, officer of commons, setting forth that his business is greatly increased by the great numbers of committees that he is obliged to summons, and therefore prayed to be considered for the same: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver-general of the city revenues do pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, £10, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts.

Ballast Office. Report. [14.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly, April 10th, 1730:

'Since our report of last assembly we have continued in fitting and repairing our work on the South Bull, but, by reason of a stormy and wet season, could not hitherto Black Rock. proceed on the work of the Black Rock, nor on the new frames across Cock lake, and the spur at the east end, but shall proceed immediately: And as the balance in the Office is but small, we are of opinion that we cannot proceed on all those several branches this season, unless the Office be supplied with a credit of £500 to £1,000, but must otherwise, as the income allows, proceed accordingly, which will require at least two years' longer work, and consequently a greater expense, besides accidents that may happen in the meantime.

Clontarf 'We have agreed with Mr. Murry, of Clontarfe, for stones, until a pier be made at the Black Rock, at ten pence halfpenny per tun.

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours:' Ordered that the committee of directors for the Ballast Loan. Office be empowered to borrow any sum not exceeding the sum of £1,000, sterling, for the carrying on said work, the same to be borrowed on the credit of the fund

Roll xx. m. 75 b. of the said Office, and the committee do forthwith proceed on said work, and that the commons do name a commoner instead of alderman Philip Pearson: 1729-30. Commons.

'William Walker.—John Porter.—Humphrey French.—Thomas How.—Richard Grattan.—William Aldrich.—Henry Daniel—Caspar White.—Luke Gaven.—George Tucker.'

m. 74. An abstract of the Ballast Office account from the 16th January, 1729[-30], inclusive, to the 10th April, 1730, exclusive.

Ballast Office, Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To balance given in to last assembly	54	17	10
To cash received since of ships, etc., from the 16th January, 1729[-30], inclusive, to the 10th April following, exclusive	630	16	5
	£685	14	3

Per contra, Cr.

	£	s.	d.
By sundry disbursements on account of the Office, from the 16th January, 1729[-30], to the 10th April following	471	0	0
By balance	214	14	3
	£685	14	3
N.B.—Of the above balance there has been paid for repairs of the west end of the North Wall, which is charged to the city	£35	1	3

m. 77. Admissions to franchise. Franchise.

m. 78. Declaration and signatures. Declaration.

m. 74. 1730. June 1. 1730.

Certain of the commons, setting forth that Francis McCann and Francis Hussey, being freemen of this honourable city, and thereby are obliged to attend the sword as often as thereto required, and as often as so required they have neglected to attend the same, and therefore prayed that the said Francis McCann and Francis Hussey be disfranchised and divested of their freedom of said city for the reasons aforesaid: whereupon it was granted. McCann. Hussey. Disfranchisement

m. 83. 1730. July 17.—Fourth Friday after 24 June.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee for auditing the city accounts have made their City accounts.

1730. report of the 8th day of May, 1730, which report is as followeth: Roll xx. m. 83.

Report. 'We, the committee appointed to audit the accounts of the city rents for the year, from Michaelmas, 1728, to Michaelmas, 1729, inclusive, and of the casual revenue from the 25th of March, 1729, to the 25th of March, 1730, inclusive, have examined the same, and find that alderman Page, late receiver general, accounts for the usual revenue of said city from March to the 29th of September, 1729, inclusive, being half a year, and is to be charged with the sum of £3,828 15s. 7½d., which, it appears, he received out of the several branches of said revenue for said half year.

Disbursements. 'It also appears to your committee that the disbursements of said alderman Page on the city accounts amount

Arrears. to £4,361 3s., and that the arrears due to the city at Michaelmas, 1728, amount to £2,653 6s. 11d., which, with £218 1s. poundage, and £25 allowed for contingencies, amount to £7,257 10s. 11d., which is £3,429 9s. 3½d. more than alderman Page is charged with, so that a balance of £3,429 9s. 3½d. appears to be due to alderman Page, and this large balance due is chiefly occasioned by the great arrears of rent returned, and now due to the city, a considerable part whereof we hope may be recovered: m. 83 b.

'We are humbly of opinion that the present receiver-general of the city revenue be directed, with the assistance of the city agent, to oblige all persons so in arrear by distress, ejectment, or any other legal method, immediately to pay what they owe to the city, and that such arrears, as soon as received, be applied towards the payment of the balance now due to alderman Page, and that all persons whomsoever, without distinction, who are city tenants, and who are now, or shall be hereafter, in arrear one year's rent, such persons to be thereupon prosecuted in manner aforesaid.

Payment.

City tenants.

Pearson, receiver-general. 'Your committee accounted also with alderman Pearson, present receiver-general, for one year of the rents and

Roll xx. m. 83 b.

certain revenue of the city, ending 20th of September, 1729, and for the remaining half-year of the casual revenue, ending the 25th of March, 1730, both inclusive, and find he is to be charged, including the said arrears of £2,653 6s. 11d., with the sum of £9,865 19s. 5d. It also appears to your committee that the disbursements of said alderman Pearson on the city account amount to £5,288 13s. 5d., that the arrears due to the city at Michaelmas, 1729, including the old arrear returned by alderman Page, amount to £3,693 3s. 10d.; that there was owing by Mr. Hendrick and Mr. Thorne £423 13s for toll corn, which, with an allowance of £138 5s. 2d. craved for lands unknown and out of possession, &c., and £214 8s. 8d. poundage, amounts in all to £9,758 4s. 2d., so that there appeared to be a balance of £107 15s. 3d. due from said alderman Pearson, abstracts of which said several accounts are hereto annexed: 1730.

'We are of opinion that the striking lands unknown, out of possession, etc., and such other holdings as the city is not likely ever to receive anything for, out of the rent roll, and entering them in a proper place by themselves, would be a great ease to future committees in auditing the city accounts, and give a much shorter and more exact state of the city revenue: Lands. Rent roll.

'All which we submit to your honours, this eighth day of May, 1730:

[1 i.] 'Alderman John Page, late receiver-general of the revenues of the city of Dublin, for the rents, issues, profits and casualties for half a year, ending 29th September, 1729: Account.

Dr.	£	s.	d.
The arrears of rent due on last account ...	1712	17	6
To admittance of freemen	29	11	6
„ produce of forty-four barrels of toll bear at 9s. 3d.	20	7	0
„ produce of the customs of the gates and avenues for half a year, ending 27th of September, 1729	469	1	2½

1730. Account. Roll xx. m. 83 b.

	£	s.	d.
To half a year's produce of the Petty customs of the markets, ending 27th of September, 1729	94	0	1
„ the produce of the fines and rent of the pipe water	588	17	3
„ the fine of the ferry boat from Mr. John Jones	500	0	0
„ balance of last account	413	7	1
	£3828	1	7½

Balance due to the accountant, £3,429 9s. 3½d.

Cr.	£	s.	d.
By casual expenses	1039	7	6
„ gifts and alms	435	10	0
„ debts of the city	580	8	10
„ casual expenses	2305	16	8
„ arrears of rent due Michaelmas, 1728 ...	2653	6	11
Contingent charges to the treasurer ...	25	0	0
By poundage of £4361, money paid at 12d. per pound	218	1	0
	£7257	10	11

[1 ii.] 'Alderman Nathaniel Pearson, receiver-general of the revenues of the city of Dublin, for the receipts, issues and profits of the rents accruing to the said city for one year, ended at Michaelmas, 1729, and for the casualties for half a year ending the 25th of March, 1730: m. 82.

Dr.	£	s.	d.
Arrears of rent due on last account at Michaelmas, 1728, as returned by alderman John Page	2653	6	11¼
To ancient revenue	2099	9	11¾
„ St. George's rents	40	10	0
„ All Hallows' or All Saints' rents ...	475	9	6
„ Mary's Abbey and St. Thomas' Court rents	246	8	0
„ Rent of houses in Thomas' street ...	56	10	0
„ Rents of houses and stalls in Newhall Market	234	15	0
„ rent of shops under Newgate ...	16	10	0
„ admittance of freemen	20	10	6
„ the produce of the toll corn for six months to Lady day, 1730 ...	1277	1	3

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	£	s.	d.
To the produce of the customs of the gates and avenues	490	16	5½
„ „ of the petty customs of the markets	89	10	11½
„ „ of three-penny customs for half a year ending 25th March, 1729... ...	71	7	6
„ the rents and fines of the pipe water ...	1076	13	4
„ one year's rent of the mill at Dolphins Barn	13	0	0
„ money received at interest from Blue boys' Hospital	1000	0	0
„ cash received for five loads of damaged hay	1	0	0
„ the fees of the city seal	3	0	0
	£9865	19	5

1730. Account.

Cr.	£	s.	d.
By casual expenses	799	0	8
„ gifts and alms	341	10	0
„ debts of the city	1636	12	2
„ casual expenses	2511	10	7½
„ arrears of rent due Michaelmas, 1729 ...	3693	3	10
„ lands waste	2	18	2
„ „ unknown	27	10	0
„ „ out of possession	37	17	0
„ Brookes and Totty, Lazy Hill and Butter Lane	70	0	0
„ John Hendrick's notes in the accountant's hands	314	7	7
„ balance in Mr. Thomas Thorn's hands on account of toll corn	109	5	5
„ poundage of £4,288 13s. 5½d., money paid at 12d. per pound... ...	214	8	8
	£9758	4	1½

Balance due by the accountant to the city £107 15 3½'

And the said commons, praying to confirm said report, and make the same an act of assembly: whereupon it was granted, the committee's report confirmed, and committee continued to make a new rent-roll, and to examine the city leases and order the same to be put alphabetically in the presses in the treasury.

Rent roll. Leases. Treasury.

1730. Exchange. [2.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee appointed to settle the Exchange hours of this city have made their report of the 23rd day of June last, which report is as followeth: Roll xx m. 82.

Report. 'We, the within committee appointed for the regulation of the Exchange hours of this city, have consulted several merchants of this city on that occasion, and are of opinion that the exchange hours be settled after the following manner, videlicet:—

'That the great bell be rung for half a quarter of an hour before twelve, at which time the Exchange is to begin, and to continue till the hour of two, and that a small hand bell be rung as usual by the porter half a quarter of an hour before two, at which time the gates are to be shut and the Exchange to end, and that advertisements be published for that purpose. m. 82 b. Hours. Bell. Gates.

'The said regulation to commence from the first of August next:

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours, this 23rd day of June, 1730:'

And said commons, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: whereupon it was granted; the committee's report confirmed.

[3.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that his excellency sir Ralph Gore, baronet, one of the lords justices of this kingdom, hath not as yet received the freedom of this city in a gold box, and therefore prayed that he may be presented with the same accordingly: whereupon it was granted, the expense thereof not to exceed thirty pounds. Sir Ralph Gore. Franchise. Gold box.

[4.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee appointed to inspect the building of a new Bridewell, and likewise to consider of the best manner of disposing of the present Bridewell, have made their report, which is as followeth Bridewell.

Report. 'We, the within committee, pursuant to the order of the 10th of April last, have inspected the building of a

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new Bridewell, and that the same is now finished and ready to receive in those who are confined in the old Bridewell, and for the master's removal to the new one as soon as your honours will direct: we have also considered the further contents of the within petition as to the value of the present Bridewell, and the ground belonging thereto, and are of opinion that the same is worth to be sold for £800, and if to be set, £40 per annum, and the expense of converting into a flesh market will amount to about £400, if the same be divided into such stalls and shops as is described by the map made by Mr. Nelson and hereunto annexed:' 1730. Bridewell. Map.

And the said commons, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: whereupon it was ordered that the committee be continued, and have liberty and power to remove the keeper of the house of correction and prisoners therein to the new Bridewell in the space of thirty days, or as soon after as they can conveniently; and that the committee publish advertisements so to set by cant the ground of the old Bridewell for a term of 99 years, fining off a third part of said rent. Keeper. Prisoners.

[5.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that a bill is lately preferred in his majesty's high court of chancery in this kingdom by Joseph Denison, John Falvey and Joseph Inman, against this honourable city, Mrs. Elwood and others, for a perpetual injunction to quiet them in the possession of a house wherein David Elwood, hatter, lately dwelt, and there is notice given that the city should forthwith put in their answer to said bill, and therefore prayed that a copy of said bill be laid before Mr. Recorder to draw an answer thereto: whereupon it was ordered that Mr. Recorder draw an answer for the city to said bill, and that Mr. Recorder and the committee for auditing the city accounts have conference on that occasion. Chancery. Denison. Falvey. Inman. Elwood. m. 81. Conference.

[6.] Mr. Thomas Bolton, setting forth that he hath had the honour of serving as Lord Mayor of this honourable Bolton, Lord Mayor.

1730. city, and that through many misfortunes he is reduced very low in his circumstances, and therefore prayed to be relieved: whereupon it was ordered that the within petitioner having conformed to the order of last assembly, and by proper instrument under his hand and seal resigned his place of alderman, alderman Hunt be paid in hand, for the use of the petitioner and his children, the sum of £12 10s., sterling, and that during the city's pleasure the annual sum of £50 be paid to said alderman Hunt, by quarterly payments, for the use of the petitioner and his children, and not otherwise, the said allowance to continue during the city's pleasure, and to commence from mid-summer last.

Roll xx. m. 81.

Resignation.

Allowance.

Assembly. Hours. [7.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that there is business of moment to be transacted this afternoon which, by reason of the shortness of time, cannot be done, and therefore prayed to have the assembly enlarged till nine o'clock: whereupon it was granted.

Forbes, Coroner. Inquest. [8.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that alderman Forbes, one of the coroners of the county of the city of Dublin, lately held an inquest on a child that was run over by a coach and horses, which are in the custody of said alderman Forbes for the city's use, but in regard they cannot be disposed of at present, prayed that an order might be made for the easy keeping of said coach and horses: whereupon it was ordered that such security as the Lord Mayor shall approve of be taken for the present value of the said coach and horses, or that the same be sold forthwith.

Coach and horses.

Thomas Smith. [9.] Thomas Smith, setting forth that it was the pleasure of this honourable city to displace John Hawkins, late keeper of Newgate, by which said place is become vacant, and in regard that he hath been gaoler of Kilmainham for many years past, therefore prayed to be admitted in said employ: whereupon it was ordered that the within petitioner, Thomas Smith, be and is hereby admitted gaoler or keeper of his majesty's gaol of

Newgate.

Kilmainham.

Appointment.

Roll xx. m. 81. Newgate in this city, during the city's pleasure, he giving sufficient security to indemnify and save the city harmless, and such as the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs shall approve of, the said bond, with the clauses and covenants and clauses therein, to be approved of by Mr. Recorder; the petitioner likewise to keep the said gaol of Newgate in repair at his own expense during his continuance in the said employ. 1730. Newgate.

[10.] John Price, setting forth that he, being appointed gaoler of Newgate, hath been obliged to expend several sums of money, together with £6 13s. 4d. salary, amounting in the whole to £9 15s. 9½d., and therefore prayed to be paid the same: ordered that the receiver-general of the city revenues advance and pay the petitioner the sum of £9 15s. 9½d., and that application be made at the quarter sessions for presentment that the receiver-general may be reimbursed the said sum. Price. Newgate. Payment.

m. 81 b.

[11.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that there is further business of moment, and therefore prayed to enlarge the assembly till ten o'clock: granted. Assembly. Time.

[12.] Elizabeth Dixon, setting forth that she is a poor widow and much reduced in her circumstances, and therefore prayed to be relieved: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver-general of the city revenues, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, do pay the petitioner £10, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Dixon. Allowance.

[13.] Robert Goodwin, officer of commons, setting forth that by the increase of committees and frequent post assemblies his time is wholly taken up, and therefore prayed to be at liberty to dispose of his place as officer at mace, and to continue him as officer of commons: whereupon it was ordered that the petitioner have liberty to dispose of the employment of officer of mace to such person as the city shall approve of, and that he continue officer of commons at the present salary. Goodwin, officer of commons. Officer at mace.

1730. Eaton. City beadle.

[14.] Philip Eaton, setting forth that the place of one of the city beadles is become vacant by the death of Nicholas Downes, and therefore prayed to be admitted in said employ: whereupon it was granted during city's pleasure. Roll xx. m. 81 *b.*

Ballast Office.

[15.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly, July 17th 1730:

Report. Frames.

'We have proceeded in making of frames, and have made six, which are now set down at the west end of

South Bull.

our piles on the South Bull, and stand well; they extend in length about 180 feet, and we shall continue making more as long as the season will permit:' Ordered to proceed as the season permits.

Gabbards.

'This being the proper season of the year, we are now repairing the rest of our gabbards, of which four are finished, and shall proceed in getting the rest done as soon as possible:' Ordered to proceed as the Committee think proper.

'An abstract of cash is hereunto annexed:

'All which is humbly submitted to your honours:

'John Porter. — Joseph Nuttall. — Thomas Hore. — Humphrey French.—Richard Grattan.—Richard Dawson. — William Aldrich.—William Walker.—Henry Daniell. —Richard Walker.—Thomas Cooke.—George Tucker.—Luke Gaven.'

An abstract of the Ballast Office account from the 10th April, 1730, inclusive, to the 17th July following, exclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To balance given in to last assembly	214	14	3
To cash received since, of ships, etc., from the 10th Apri 1730, inclusive, to the 17th July following, exclusive	916	3	4
	£1,130	17	7

Roll xx. m. 81 b.

Per contra, Cred. 1730.

	£	s.	d.
By sundry disbursements on account of the Office, from the 10th April, 1733, inclusive, to the 17th July following, exclusive ...	1071	1	0
By Balance	59	16	7
	£1,130	17	7

N.B.—Of the above balance there has been paid for repairs of the west end of the North Wall, which is charged to the city account ... £35 1 4½

m. 84. Admissions to franchise. Franchise.

m. 85. Declaration and signatures. Declaration.

m. 80. 1730. September 8.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee formerly appointed on the petition of Mr. Sterne Tighe, merchant, with respect to the three-penny customs, have made their report, which is as followeth: Tighe. Three-penny Customs, Report.

'We, the committee appointed on the petition of Mr. Sterne Tighe, merchant, in relation to the three-penny customs received at the custom house for the use of the city, have made some inquiry into that affair, and find that the several collectors or receivers thereof for some years past compounded with foreigners and other merchants not free, for a certain yearly sum in lieu of said customs, which of late years we find not to answer near so well as formerly, the produce to the city decreasing considerably, which we apprehend to be owing to such composition, and if the said customs were duly received it would be an advance to the city revenue: we, therefore, are of opinion that no such composition be made for the future, and that no lease be made to any person or persons of said three-penny customs, but that the same be duly and regularly received for the city's account: Receivers. Composition. City revenue

'We likewise think it proper that Mr. Norman do lay before this, or any other committee that shall be thought convenient, an account of the several persons with whom he has compounded for the three-penny customs and the particular agreement, and that he make no composition Norman.

1730. for the future, but receive what shall be really due to the city: Roll xx. m. 80.

'We apprehend it necessary that a copy of the
Bristol. certificate from the corporation of Bristol, entered in the book of charters of this city, and the act of the fourteenth
Charles II. and fifteenth of king Charles the second, be laid before Mr. Recorder for his opinion thereon, and how far the city's right to the three-penny customs extends, and upon what sums the same is to be taken: which we submit this 8th day of September, 1730:'

And the said commons, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: whereupon it was granted, the committee's report confirmed, and that the further consideration of the said three-penny customs
Reference. be referred to the right honourable the Lord Mayor, m. 80 b. Sheriffs, treasurer, masters of the city works, alderman Porter, alderman Nuttall, alderman How, and six of the commons, to be named by the commons, or any five of them, whereof the Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs to be always two, who are appointed a committee to make further inquiry into the premises, and report their opinion to the next assembly:

[The six of the commons:] William Aston, William Philpott, Luke Gaven, Richard Walker, Thomas Cook, Edmond French:

[2.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the
Bridewell. committee about Bridewell have made their report of the 8th of September instant, which report is as followeth:

Report. 'Pursuant to the order of assembly of the 17th day of July last, we, the committee, have this day directed that the keeper of Bridewell do, with the assistance of six con-
Prisoners. stables, cause the prisoners now in old Bridewell to be
Removal. removed into the new Bridewell to-morrow, being the 9th of this instant September, before the hour of 12 in the forenoon; that two of the constables take care of one prisoner, to convey them safe, and that the Lord Mayor be desired to give directions who the constables shall be:

Roll xx. m. 80 b. We have, pursuant to said order, appointed the 9th day of October next for the setting up to cant the ground of the old Bridewell, and that Mr. Gonne do publish advertisements for that purpose, pursuant to said order of assembly: 1730. Sale.

'We find that several necessaries are yet wanting for the use of said Bridewell, videlicet, a black hole, or dungeon, wire gates for the windows next the streets, with other inside conveniencies, and therefore desire your further directions therein, and for the drawing up rules to be observed by the keeper of said house of correction: which we submit to your honours, this 8th of September, 1730:' Black Hole. Dungeon. Windows. Rules.

And the said commons, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: whereupon it was granted, the committee's report confirmed, and that the committee be continued and empowered to provide such things as they shall judge necessary to be observed by the keeper of the Bridewell, and to be affixed up in said house of Bridewell. Keeper of Bridewell.

[3.] Edward Butler, clerk to the right honourable the Lord Mayor, setting forth that, by order of his Lordship, he expended several sums amounting to £24 13s. 4d., and therefore prayed to be paid the same: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver-general of the city revenues do pay the petitioner the sum of £24 13s. 4d., sterling, being so much expended by him on the city account as by the within bill may appear, the said sum to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Butler. Expenditure.

[4.] Edward Torton, setting forth that this honourable city having, by lease dated the 19th day of January, 1710, demised to John Desborough, gentleman, a holding in Saint Nicholas' street, within the said city, particularly mentioned and described in said lease and a map thereunto annexed, for three lives renewable for ever, since which time said lease by mesne conveyance is vested in the petitioner; and that Samuel Jameson, one of the lives Torton. Desborough. Nicholas' street.

m. 79.

1730. mentioned in said lease, is lately dead, and therefore prayed to have his own life inserted instead of said Jameson. Samuel Jameson, on his paying the fine on the fall of said life; whereupon it was granted, on his paying the said fine and all arrears to the time of renewal in such manner as Mr. Recorder shall direct. Roll xx. m. 79.

[5.] John Norris, setting forth that the city did, by indenture of lease bearing date the 17th day of January, Ambrose. 1706, demise to Isaac Ambrose, merchant, since deceased, Fyan's Castle. a parcel of ground situate at the west end of Fyan's Wood Quay. Castle, on the Wood Quay, for three lives, with clause of renewal for ever on payment of half a year's rent on the fall of every life; that the said lease, on the inter- Norris. marriage of your petitioner with Mary Norris, alias Ambrose, daughter of said Isaac, was assigned to him; Holroyd. that John Holroyd, one of the lives mentioned in said lease, is lately dead, and therefore prayed to have the life of William Holroyd inserted in his stead: whereupon it was granted, on payment of the said fine and all arrears to the time of renewal in such manner as Mr. Recorder shall think fit.

Reilly. [6.] Patrick Reilly and Philip Reilly, setting forth that Kelly. they, by directions of the right honourable the Lord White- haven. Mayor, pursued John Kelly, a butcher, to Whitehaven, in Great Britain, who committed a rape on the body of one Ellinor O'Neill, where they apprehended and took said Kelly, who was since executed for the same, and therefore prayed to be considered for their past services: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver-general of Reward. the city revenues do pay the within petitioners £20, sterling, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, videlicet, £10 to each, the same being in full of the reward promised by the right honourable the Lord Mayor's proclamation, and all other demands for their past services.

Joseph Sheffield. [7.] Joseph Sheffield, cordwainer, setting forth that by the resignation of Robert Goodwin the place of one of Sergeant at mace. the sergeants at mace is become vacant, and therefore

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prayed to be admitted into said employ: whereupon it was granted during the city's pleasure, he giving security to save the city harmless, and such as the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs shall approve of. 1730.

1730. October 16.—Third Friday after 29 September.

Lord Mayor: Nathaniel Pearson; Sheriffs: Samuel Cooke and Eliphal Dobson.

[1.] Edward Butler, clerk to the right honourable the Lord Mayor, setting forth that his Lordship being elected into the Mayoralty of this city will be at great expense to support the dignity of the same, and therefore prayed the usual allowance for his Lordship's use, whereupon it was ordered that the receiver-general of the city revenues do pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, £500, sterling, for his Lordship's use, one moiety at Christmas next and the other moiety at midsummer next, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his account. Mayoralty. Expense. Grant.

[2.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that sir Peter Verdoen, knight, late Lord Mayor of this city, was at an extraordinary expense in supporting the grandeur of the same, in which he behaved to the general satisfaction of everybody, and therefore prayed, in regard of his great hospitality and singular merit, to grant him such sum of money as should be thought meet: whereupon it was ordered that the said sir Peter Verdoen be paid by the receiver-general of the city revenues, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the sum of £400, sterling, in consideration of his great hospitality and singular services during his Mayoralty. Verdoen, Lord Mayor. Hospitality. Payment.

[3.] Thomas Gonne, gentleman, Town Clerk, setting forth that messieurs David Tew and John Sterne, late Sheriffs, ever since they undertook said office their time had been wholly taken up, whereby their private affairs have greatly suffered, and therefore prayed the usual allowance for the said late Sheriffs' use: whereupon it was ordered the receiver-general of the city revenues do Tew, Sterne, Sheriffs. Allowance.

1730. pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, for the late Sheriffs' use, £200, sterling, videlicet: £100 to each, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Roll xx. m. 79.

City pipe water. [4.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee for management of the city pipe water have made their report of the 15th day of October, 1730, instant, which report is as followeth:

Report. 'We, the Committee appointed for the management of the city pipe water revenue, do find that Mr. Richard Darling hath been very diligent in collecting the city pipe water [money] and settling the same.

m. 90 b. 'We likewise do find that Mr. Darling hath received since the 24th March, 1729, to 29th day of October, 1730, the sum of £571 10 0

By eighteen concealed branches discovered	9	0	0
„ cash paid for discovering said branches	4	5	0
„ „ „ for change for carrying the year's collection	3	15	0
„ Poundage for £571 10s. at 12d. per pound	28	11	6
Which makes the balance of the above account of £571	10		6

Which said sum of £571 10s. added to the sum of £1,133 6s. 4d., accounted for and settled last Easter assembly, amounting in the whole to the sum of £1,704 16s. 4d., being the total cash received for the whole year, due and ending 1st November, 1729: which account is returned upon oath by said Darling, and is hereto annexed.

'We are further to inform your honours that Mr. Darling had laid before us several observations to the benefit of the city pipe water in relation to the hucksters and other abuses, which we are of opinion should be left to the discretion of the said Darling to settle said abuses and to regulate the same:

Darling. Observations. Abuses.

Roll xx. m. 90 b.

'All which we submit to your honours, this 15th October, 1730:' 1730.

And the said commons, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly, it was granted, and the committee's report confirmed.

[5.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the salary allowed Francis Stoyte, esquire. Recorder of this city, being but thirty five pounds per annum, which is considerably less than [is paid by] many inferior corporations of this kingdom, and therefore prayed (in regard the affairs of this city require the Recorder's assistance more than all the corporations of this kingdom) to have Mr. Recorder's salary augmented: wherefore it was ordered that Mr. Recorder's salary be augmented to one hundred and fifty pounds per annum, to commence from Michaelmas last, during the city's pleasure, the said augmentation to continue no longer than the said Francis Stoyte, esquire, is Recorder of this city. Stoyte, Recorder. Salary. Augmentation.

[6.] William Yarner, gentleman, setting forth that by act of assembly he was ordered to go to England and attend the appeal of Mr. Vernon against Mr. Maple, and accordingly went to London and continued till the appeal was heard before the house of lords, and therefore prayed to be considered for his disbursements and trouble, which was referred to a committee, who made the following report: Yarner. Vernon. Maple. London. Appeal.

'We, the committee appointed on the petition of Mr. William Yarner, have examined the petitioner's account, to the truth whereof he has made an affidavit, and find that the disbursements on the city account amount to £214 5s.; £200, part whereof, has been paid by the city, so that the balance of said account is £14 5s., which balance we are of opinion the petitioner be paid, and in regard the petitioner was for near three months in England. Report. Disbursements. Payment.

m. 89.

[7.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that the committee appointed for the new Bridewell have made New Bridewell.

1730. their report of the 13th day of October instant, which Roll xx. m. 89. report is as followeth:

Report. 'We, the committee appointed about the new Bridewell,

New Bridewell. have, in pursuance of the last order of assembly, caused the prisoners to be removed from the old Bridewell to the new one on the 9th day of September last, together with the materials there were for working. We have [given]

Dungeon directions for the dungeon or blackhole to be made for the better securing of such prisoners as shall endeavour to escape, raise mutiny or disturbance in the house; likewise for providing some other small necessaries and wire grates for the windows to the work rooms:

'We, in pursuance to the said order, have drawn up

Rules and orders. the annexed rules and orders to be observed by the master of the new Bridewell, and have caused the same to be engrossed and affixed up in the public room, having

Recorder. Justices of the peace. first consulted Mr. Recorder and the justices of the peace as to the said rules and orders, observing that as any part of them shall be found improper, such may soon be remedied by fresh orders:

Old Bridewell. 'We further represent that we caused the old Bride-

Auction. well and ground thereto belonging to be put up to cant on the 9th day of October instant, in public court, at forty pounds per annum rent, fining off a third part of the rent it should be canted for; but there being no bidders for the same, we are of opinion, if your honours shall think fit, to continue the committee or appoint a

Disposal. new one to dispose of the premises, and that they may have such further power as to your honours shall seem meet: which we submit to your honours, this 13th day of October, 1730:'

And the said commons, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly, and to continue the former committee or appoint a new one:

Whereupon it was granted, and that the former committee be continued to sell the premises by cant on the terms formerly ordered.

Roll xx. m. 89. [8.] Mr. William Walker, Timothy Sullivan and John Keating, esquires, setting forth that the committee appointed on their petitions in relation to William Johnson, one of the officers at mace of this city, have made their report of the 15th of October, 1730 instant, which report is as followeth : 1730. Walker. Sullivan. Keating. Johnson.

m. 89 b.

'We, the above committee, have examined the contents of the within petition, and the other petitions of Timothy Sullivan and John Keating, esquires, and find the allegations of said petitions to be true; that it appears to us that the sum due to the within petitioners is £45 3s.; to Mr. Sullivan £25, to Mr. Keating £10 15s., besides costs, which said sums the said creditors are in danger of losing by the said William Johnson's neglect in the execution of his office of officer at mace, and for such his misbehaviour, and to deter others from acting in the like manner, and in regard the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs may be sued for such his neglect, we are of opinion that the said William Johnson be displaced from his employ of officer at mace: which we submit to your honours, this 15th October, 1730.' Report. Officer at mace.

And the said William Walker, Timothy Sullivan and John Keating, esquires, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: whereupon it was granted, the committee's report confirmed, and that said William Johnson be and is hereby displaced from his employ as officer at mace.

[9.] Bartholemew Wybrants, setting forth that for several years past this city were pleased to grant him every Michaelmas assembly some gratuity for his extraordinary service as clerk to the commons, and therefore prayed to be considered for the same: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver-general of the city revenues do pay the petitioner the sum of £10, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Wybrants, Clerk of Commons. Grant.

[10]. Certain of the commons, setting forth that Elinor O'Neill, about the beginning of July last, was met in this O'Neill.

1730. Kelly. Crime. city by John Kelly and others who committed a rape on her and used inhumanity, for which crime most of the offenders were taken, tried and executed; that the said Elinor hath been a great sufferer by being obliged to Prosecution. attend and prosecute said persons, and therefore prayed to have said Elinor O'Neill relieved: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver-general of the city revenues do Grant. pay the petitioner the sum of £10, sterling, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the same to be allowed on his accounts. Roll xx. m. 89 *b.*

Pepyat, printer and stationer. [11.] Silvanus Pepyat, city printer and stationer, setting forth that the committee appointed to settle his accounts have made their report of the 15th of September, 1730, which report is as followeth:

'We, the within committee, have examined the petitioner's account, which is hereto annexed, and find the Rates. prices therein to agree with the rates allowed of by act of assembly. The petitioner's said account amounts to £139 11s., sterling, which said sum we are of opinion he m. 88. be paid in full of the same. We observe the charge of printing work to be very considerable, which is chiefly Assize of bread. owing to the great number of the small assize of bread, printed weekly, there being no less than 3,400 printed every week, which article, with 50 of the large assize, printed weekly, amount to £101 per annum, We apprehend for the future that if one hundred of the large assize of bread were printed weekly, two whereof to be carefully posted on each parish church in this city by the Tholsel. Market-house. city beadles, six at the Tholsell, four at the Market House, and the remainder to be disposed of as usual, the same would answer the public end without printing any small ones, and which will considerably lessen the charge of printing:

'All which we submit to your honours, this 15th day of September, 1730:'

And the said Silvanus Pepyat, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: it was

Roll xx. m. 88. ordered that the report be confirmed, and that the petitioner be paid £139 11s., sterling, by the receiver-general of the city revenues, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, being the sum reported, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. 1730.

[12.] Thomas Gavin, carpenter, setting forth that the committee appointed on his petition (in relation to an encroachment of a house in Winetavern street) have made their report of the 4th day of August last, which report is as followeth: Gavin. Winetavern street.

'We, the above committee, have considered the within petition, and are of opinion that the petitioner, Thomas Gavin, in consideration of his enlarging that part of Winetavern street in the petition mentioned, be paid by the city the sum of £10, sterling: which we submit to your honours, this 4th August, 1730.'

And the said Thomas Gavin, praying to confirm said report and make the same an act of assembly: it was ordered that the receiver-general of the city revenues do pay to the petitioner the sum of £10, sterling, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his account. Payment.

[13.] Thomas Bolton, setting forth that by the many misfortunes and troubles he has had, he is rendered incapable to provide the convenient necessaries of life for himself and family, and therefore prayed to be relieved: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver-general of the city revenues, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, do pay to alderman Hunt twenty guineas towards the support of the petitioner's son in the College, to be expended by the said alderman Hunt for the use aforesaid as he shall think fit. Thomas Bolton. Grant. College.

[14.] Elizabeth Dixon, widow, setting forth that she lived in good credit in this city, but by many misfortunes is much reduced, and therefore prayed to be relieved: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver-general of the city revenues do pay the petitioner, on the Lord Mayor's Dixon. Grant.

1730. warrant, the sum of £10, sterling, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. Roll xx. m. 88.

Whittwell. [15.] Sir Nathaniel Whittwell, knight, alderman, setting forth that he hath served in the several offices[1] of this city which he has been called to, and humbly hopes he has behaved himself in those several stations with honour and the approbation of this city, and that it is with the utmost concern he is obliged to acquaint said city that through the many misfortunes he has met with in trade he is wholly reduced in his circumstances, and deprived of necessary support for himself and children; and in regard he is not at present able to attend the public service of this city, being in a very feeble state of health, and not like to be long a burden to this city, and in regard he has resigned the place of alderman and justice of the peace, prayed such support for himself and family as should be thought necessary: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver-general of the city revenues do pay to alderman Nathaniel Kane, on the Lord Mayor's warrant, for the petitioner's use, in hand £25 sterling; and the petitioner having resigned his place of alderman, it is further ordered that the annual sum of £50 be paid said alderman Kane for the use of said petitioner and family, and to no other use whatsoever, the same to be paid by quarterly payments during the city's pleasure, and to commence from Michaelmas last. m. 88 b.

Resignation.

Grant.

Wynne. St. Audoen's parish. [16.] The reverend John Wynne, minister of St. Audoen's, Dublin, setting forth that for these four years past he hath not been paid any valuation money for two houses that were pulled down by the city in Newhall Market, which, at £1 19s. per annum, comes to £7 16s., which was the valuation money paid your petitioner's predecessors, and therefore prayed to be paid the said sum: whereupon it was ordered that the receiver-general of the city revenues do pay the petitioner, on the Lord

Newhall Market.

Payment.

[1] Lord Mayor of Dublin, 1727. *See* page 395.

Roll xx. m. 88 b. Mayor's warrant, the above sum of £7 16s., sterling, for the valuation money of the said two houses, the same to be allowed the treasurer on his accounts. 1730.

[17.] Certain of the commons, praying to enlarge the assembly till nine o'clock: whereupon it was granted. Assembly. Time.

[18.] Thomas Doyle, plumber, setting forth that he has been plumber to this honourable city upwards of three years, during which time he behaved himself diligently in said office, and therefore prayed to be established in said employ by act of assembly: whereupon it was ordered that all warrants for laying in pipes be directed by Mr. Darling to be laid in by the petitioner, and no other, during the city's pleasure. Doyle, plumber to city. Pipes.

[19.] Susanna Johnson, alias Surdevill, setting forth that she is tenant to this city for a piece of ground on the south side of Castle street, by a lease granted to alderman m. 87. Edward Surdevill, deceased, for lives renewable, since which this city renewed said lease to your petitioner for and during the lives of your petitioner, William Tew and William Westland, junior; and that William Westland is lately dead, and therefore prayed to have the life of her husband, Gabriel Johnston, instead of said William Westland, junior; whereupon it was granted, paying the fine and all arrears of rent in such manner as Mr. Recorder shall advise. Johnson. Surdevill. Lease. Tew. Westland.

[20.] Doctor Nicholas Knight, curate of St. Nicholas' within the walls, setting forth that the committee appointed on his petition in relation to his rent of a house and ground whereon part of the Tholsell is built, have made their report of the 17th day of September, 1730, which report is as followeth: Knight. St. Nicholas' within. Tholsel.

'We, the committee appointed to examine the contents of the within petition, have taken the same into our consideration, and are of opinion that Doctor Nicholas Knight be paid the sum of £23 5s., sterling, per annum in full for all minister's money and valuation money for part of the Tholsell of this city, the same to be paid on the Lord Report. Payment.

1730. Hawkshaw. Mayor's warrant, by half-yearly payments, as formerly ordered to Mr. Benjamin Hawkshaw, the late incumbent: which we submit to your honours, this 17th September, 1730:' Roll xx. m. 87.

And the said Doctor Nicholas Knight, praying to confirm said report, and make the same an act of assembly: it was granted; the committee's report confirmed.

Carroll. Tholsel court. [21.] Alexander Carroll, gentleman, praying to be admitted an attorney of the Tholsell court: whereupon it was granted during city's pleasure.

Jones, Thwaites, Water-Bailiffs. [22.] John Jones and Augustin Thwaites, water bailiffs, praying to be continued in their employ: whereupon it was granted during city's pleasure,

Newgate. [23.] Thomas Smith, keeper of Newgate, praying to be continued in his employ: whereupon it was granted.

Officers at mace. [24.] Greenwood Hanna, Francis McCann, William Justus, Joseph Sheffield, Mathew Wrightson and William Johnson, officers at mace, praying to be continued in their several employs of officers at mace: whereupon it was granted during city's pleasure, except William Johnson, who is hereby displaced from his employ as officer at mace.

Sheriffs' officers. [25.] John Reilly, William O'Neill, Richard Higgins and Arthur O'Neill, Sheriffs' officers, praying to be continued in their several employs: whereupon it was granted during city's pleasure.

Goodwin, officer of commons. Gown. [26.] Robert Goodwin, officer of commons, setting forth that being allowed by act of assembly to dispose of his employ of officer at mace, at present has not a gown to wear as officer of commons, and therefore prayed to be permitted to get a gown for that purpose: whereupon it was ordered that the petitioner be at liberty to provide himself with such a gown as the water bailiffs wear, at his own expense.

Ballast Office. Report. [27.] The report of the committee of directors for the Ballast Office to the general assembly, October 16th, 1730:

'Pursuant to your honours' orders of last assembly, we

Roll xx. m. 87 b.

have proceeded in making of frames with the utmost expedition, and have since finished 25 frames, extending in length about 37 perches, of which remain 4 frames unset, which by reason of the late storms could not be carried down, but shall be set down as soon as possible:' Ordered to proceed as the season permits. 1730. Frames. Storms.

'In said storms one of our old frames has been forced out of the range and gone adrift, but most of the piles are saved, and shall be refixed as soon as the weather will permit:' Ordered to proceed as the season permits. Piles.

'And as the year is now far advanced, it is therefore our opinion that the making of more frames be deferred until early in the spring; in the interim we shall secure those already fixed by filling, etc.

'We have not only provided this season, timber, etc., for the work already done, but have likewise now lying in the yard against our early work next spring, 230 piles, 134 oak top rails, 15 for bottom rails, and 431 planks, which, with about 1,800 piles more and planks to be provided next year, we hope will finish the work across Cock Lake, extending as yet further about 70 perches to the top or height of Salmon Pole bank. And in order for the carrying on the said work, we have, pursuant to your honours' orders, borrowed from alderman Thomas How £1,000, sterling, at six per cent. interest, notwithstanding the office is yet indebted about £200; but as the work will now be stopped, the same will soon be cleared:' Ordered to proceed as the committee think proper. Timber. Cock Lake. Salmon Pool. Loan.

'Upon a discovery lately made of base and fraudulent practices committed by the gabbard-men belonging to the gabbard no. 12, in not only of having returned more tonnage of sand or gravel delivered at the frames (although sworn to the true delivery of the same), but also having thrown part again into the channel, we have turned out the said gabbard men, and we cannot but observe to your honours that the same chiefly is owing to Mr. Thomas Holt, one of the supervisors, in not complying with our Frauds. Gabbard-men. Sand. Holt.

1730. South Bull. orders of the 5th of May last, to inspect into the tonnage of the said gabbards and the works on the South Bull, and who, upon examination, has owned that he has in no way conformed to the said orders, and that he cannot do it for the future:' Ordered that Mr. Thomas Holt be displaced from his employ of one of the supervisors of the Ballast Office, there being no occasion for such an officer:' Ordered that alderman White be continued on this committee as an alderman, and that the commons name three commons. Roll xx. m. 87 b. m. 86.

'All which we humbly submit to your honours:

'An abstract of the cash is hereunto annexed:

'David Tew.—John Bradshaw.—John Usher.—Daniel Falkiner. — Luke Gaven. — Thomas Cook. — George Tucker.—William Aldrich.—William Walker.—Nathaniel Shaw.—John Macarel. — David Chaigneau. — Henry Daniel.—John Porter.—Joseph Nuttall.—Thomas How.—Humphry French.—Caspar White.'

An abstract of the Ballast Office account from the 17th July, 1730, inclusive, to the 16th October following, exclusive:

Ballast Office, Dr.

	£	s.	d.
To balance given in to last assembly	59	16	7
To cash received since from ships, etc., from the 17th July, 1730, to the 16th October following, exclusive	851	3	8
To cash borrowed from alderman Thomas How, at £6 per cent. ...	1000	0	0
	£1911	0	6

Per contra, Cr.

	£	s.	d.
By sundry disbursements on account of the Office, from the 17th July, 1730, inclusive, to the 16th October following, exclusive ...	1712	15	9
By balance	198	4	6
	£1911	0	3
N.B.—Of the above balance there has been lent the city for repairing the west end of the North Wall	£35	1	4½

Declaration. Declaration and signatures. m. 91.

Franchise. Admissions to franchise. m. 92.

Roll xx. m. 86 b.

1730. November 16. 1730.

[1.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that Mr. Recorder conferred with the committee for auditing the city accounts, with respect to preparing the city's answer to a bill preferred in the high court of chancery by Joseph Dennison and others, about a house in High street, formerly set by the city to one Elwood: That the committee were of opinion that the city's right thereto should be disclaimed, there being no probability of recovering said premises, and Mr. Recorder having drawn an answer accordingly, therefore prayed that the same may be put under the city seal as the answer of the right honourable the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, commons and citizens of this city to said bill: whereupon it was granted. Recorder. Committee. Audit of City accounts. High street. Elwood. Answer.

[2.] Certain of the commons, setting forth that there is a bill filed this present Michaelmas term by William Dowdall, gentleman, and Laurence Dowdall, his son, to prevent proceeding on an ejectment brought by this city for non-payment of rent due of a holding on the Wood Quay, and therefore prayed to have an order made that the city's answer to said bill be prepared and drawn by Mr. Recorder, the same to be put under the city seal: whereupon it was granted. Dowdall. Wood Quay. Answer.

APPENDIX.

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I.

PROCEEDINGS IN RELATION TO ELECTIONS OF LORD-MAYORS AND SHERIFFS OF THE CITY OF DUBLIN, 1711-1714.

1. "By the Lord Mayor and aldermen of the city of Dublin.[1]

1711. April 20.—"Whereas alderman Constantine preferred a petition to their excellencies the lords justices and council to prevent their approving alderman James Barlow to be Lord Mayor, and prayed their excellencies and lordships that he may be heard by his counsel thereto, the petitioner being senior alderman: 1711. Constantine. Barlow.

"It is ordered that the city agent do employ counsel to oppose the said petition, and to do what is proper to be done therein to justify the proceedings of this board and said election.

"The humble petition of Robert Constantine, alderman of the city of Dublin:

"To their excellencies the lords justices and the right honourable the lords of her majesties most honourable privy council in Ireland: Petition to lords justices and privy council.

"Sheweth:—That your petitioner is the eldest alderman of the city of Dublin who has not yet been Lord Mayor of the said city:

"That it has been the ancient, immemorial and uninterrupted usage of the said city to elect the senior alderman before the cushion to serve in that office. Usage. Cushion.

[1] Ms. Egerton, 1769: British Museum, London.

1711. Constantine. "That your petitioner ought of right to have been chosen into the office for the year beginning 29th September, 1709, and ending Michaelmas 1710, but, contrary to Usage of city. the known usage of the said city, and without alleging the least incapacity or disability in your petitioner, your petitioner was then put by, and two of the aldermen Cushion. more remote from the cushion than your petitioner have been preferred before him, and have enjoyed, and even this present year they have again postponed your Barlow. petitioner, and elected alderman Barlow to serve for the ensuing year.

"May it therefore please your excellencies and lordships to hear your petitioner by his counsel before you approve the said alderman Barlow, and to do for your petitioner what in your great wisdom and justice shall seem meet.

"And your petitioner will pray, etc. — Robert Constantine."

"By the lords justices and council of Ireland:

"Constantine Phipps, canc., Richard Ingoldsby.

Privy council. "Upon reading this day at the board the within petition of Robert Constantine, alderman of the city of Dublin, and due consideration had thereof, we think fit to order and direct, and we do hereby order and direct, that the Lord Mayor and aldermen of the said city do Answer. make answer to the said petition on Friday, the 27th day of April instant, the petitioner serving the said Lord Mayor of the said city with a copy of the said petition, and then with our order attested by the clerk of the council or his deputy:

"We do also hereby appoint Monday, the 30th day of April instant, the day for hearing as well the petitioner by his counsel as the Lord Mayor and aldermen by their counsel, whereof all persons concerned are to take notice.

"Given at the council chamber in Dublin, the 25th of April, 1711."

"To their excellencies the lords justices and the right honourable the lords and others of her majesty's privy council of Ireland: 1711.

"The answer of John Eccles, esquire, Lord Mayor of the city of Dublin, and the aldermen of the said city, to the petition of alderman Robert Constantine: Eccles. Aldermen.

"That the right of electing a Lord Mayor of the city of Dublin is in the Lord Mayor and aldermen of the said city. Election.

"That there is no immemorial custom or usage in the said city to choose the next senior alderman under the cushion to the Mayoralty, neither could the same be called an election, as the respondents conceive, were they obliged to give their votes for the next senior alderman: Custom.

"That the petitioner was in the year 1709 fairly put in election for the Mayoralty of this city, and lost the same by a great majority of voices, and afterwards was admitted at his own request above the cushion:[1] Constantine.

"And for as much as no objection is made against the loyalty or sufficiency of alderman Barlow, the elected Lord Mayor, nor any instance given in the said petition of irregularity in election, unless the not electing the petitioner be one: Barlow.

"These respondents, therefore, humbly pray your excellencies and this honourable board to approve their election of alderman Barlow: Approval.

"All which is humbly submitted to your excellencies' and lordships' consideration:

"John Eccles, Lord Mayor.—Thomas Quin.—Samuel Walton.—John Page.—William Quaile.—William Gibbons.—John Pearson.—John Stoyte.—Thomas Bolton.—Anthony Barkey.—Mathew Pearson.—John Rogerson.—John Hendrick.—William French."

1711, April 27.—By the Lord Mayor and aldermen:

"Ordered that the precedent answer be the answer of this board to the petition of alderman Constantine."

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[1] *See* page 524.

1711. Town Clerk. City records. "Ordered that the Town Clerk do make search into the records and entries of this city, and draw such a state of the case as he shall be advised by counsel relating to the right of election of a Lord Mayor, in answer to the objections made by alderman Constantine, and that the same, fairly written or printed, be delivered to the lords justices and to each of the privy council before the hearing at the council board."

1711. May 15.—"It is ordered, at the request of Constantine. alderman Robert Constantine, that the former order of the 6th day of May, 1709, for admitting the said alderman Cushion. Robert Constantine above the cushion and to wear a Scarlet gown. scarlet gown, be vacated and made void, and is hereby vacated and made void, and the said alderman Robert Constantine is now deemed below the cushion, in order to be put in election for Lord Mayor:

Election. Barlow. Glegg. Somervill. "Whereas alderman James Barlow was elected Lord Mayor, and Mr. Henry Glegg and Mr. Thomas Somervill[1] were elected Sheriffs of the city of Dublin for the next ensuing year, and accordingly presented to the lords justices and council for their approbation thereon, but there Approbation. being no approbation thereon, we, the Lord Mayor and court of aldermen have this day proceeded to a new Election. election, and put in election alderman Robert Constantine, alderman James Barlow and alderman Samuel Cooke: And the majority of the voices of the aldermen fell upon the said alderman James Barlow: And we have this day elected the said alderman James Barlow Lord Mayor for the next ensuing year: And the said Henry Glegg Sheriffs. was by us unanimously elected one of the Sheriffs for the same year: And for the other Sheriff there was put in election Mr. Thomas Somervill, Mr. Garrett Nevill and Mr. William Smith: And the majority of voices fell upon the said Thomas Somervill: And we have this day elected the said Mr. Thomas Somervill the other Sheriff for the next ensuing year:

[1] Also written—"Somervell and Somerville."

"It is also ordered that for the future the aldermen put in election for Lord Mayor, and the persons to be put in election for Sheriffs, be always entered in the order of electing Lord Mayor and Sheriffs as in the above order: 1711.

"Whereas alderman James Barlow was elected Lord Mayor, and Mr. Henry Glegg and Mr. Thomas Somervill were elected Sheriffs of the city of Dublin for the next ensuing year, and accordingly presented to the lords justices and council for their approbation, but there being no approbation thereon, we, the Lord Mayor and court of aldermen, have this day proceeded to a new election, and put in election alderman Robert Constantine, alderman Samuel Cooke and alderman Ralph Gore: And there were three voices for alderman Robert Constantine, and sixteen for the said alderman Samuel Cooke: And we havet his day elected the said alderman Samuel Cooke Lord Mayor for the next ensuing year: And Mr. Thomas Bradshaw was by us unanimously elected one of the Sheriffs for the same year: And for the other Sheriff there were put in election Mr. John Nevill, Mr. Edward Surdevill[1] and Mr. William Phillips: And there were sixteen voices for Mr. John Nevill, and one a piece for the other two: And we have this day elected the said Mr. John Nevill the other Sheriff for the next ensuing year." Barlow. Glegg. Somervill. Presentation. Election. Constantine. Cooke. Gore. Bradshaw. Sheriffs. Nevill.

1711. August 2.—"Whereas alderman Samuel Cooke was elected Lord Mayor, and Mr. Thomas Bradshaw and Mr. John Nevill were elected Sheriffs for the ensuing year, and accordingly presented to the lord lieutenant and council for their approbation, but there being no approbation thereon, we have proceeded to a new election, and put in election alderman Thomas Quin, alderman Samuel Walton and alderman John Page: And there were seventeen voices for alderman John Page, and no voices for the other two: And we have elected the said alderman John Page Lord Mayor for the said year: Cook. Bradshaw. Nevill. Lord lieutenant and council. Non-approval. Election. Quin. Walton. Votes. Page.

[1] Also written—"Surdeville."

1711. Sheriffs. And Mr. James King was unanimously elected one of the Sheriffs: And for the other Sheriff there were put in election Mr. William Empson, Mr. John Wallis and Mr. Garrett Nevill: and there were fourteen voices for Mr. Wallis. Nevill. John Wallis, and six voices for Mr. Garrett Nevill, and none Empson. for Mr. William Empson: And we have elected the said Mr. John Wallis the other Sheriff for the ensuing year."

Page. 1711. August 18.—"The election of alderman John Page not being confirmed, and Mr. James King and Mr. John Non-confirmation. Wallis, Sheriffs, were not confirmed likewise, we have Election. therefore proceeded to a new election, and put in election alderman Thomas Quin, alderman Samuel Walton and Votes. alderman William Gibbons: And there were fifteen voices for alderman Thomas Quin, and none for the other two: Quin. We have therefore elected alderman Thomas Quin Lord Mayor for the ensuing year: And Edward Surdevill Sheriffs. was unanimously elected one of the Sheriffs: and for the other Sheriff there were put in election Mr. William Empson, Mr. Joseph Walker and Mr. William Aldrich And there were two voices for Mr. Empson, two for Mr. Walker, and thirteen for Mr. William Aldrich: We have therefore elected Mr. Aldrich the other Sheriff for the said year."

1711. August 31.—"The election of alderman Quin, Lord Mayor, and Mr. Edward Surdeville and Mr. William Non-confirmation. Aldrich, Sheriffs, not having been confirmed, we, the Lord Mayor and court of aldermen, have proceeded to Election. a new election, and put in election alderman Walton, alderman Gibbons and alderman Benjamin Burton: and there were thirteen voices for alderman Walton, three for alderman Gibbons, and none for alderman Burton: Walton. We have therefore elected alderman Walton Lord Mayor for the ensuing year: And John Tisdall was unanimously Sheriffs. elected one of the Sheriffs: And for the other Sheriff there were put in election Mr. Nicholas Grueber, Mr.

William Phillpott and Mr. John Bradshaw: And there were four voices for Mr. Grueber, six for Mr. Phillpott, and seven for Mr. Bradshaw: We have therefore elected Mr. Bradshaw the other Sheriff for the ensuing year." 1711.

"To the queen's most excellent majesty: the humble petition of the Lord Mayor and aldermen of the city of Dublin: Petition to Queen Anne.

'Sheweth:—That the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs of the city of Dublin are to be elected by the Lord Mayor and aldermen, and no other person is to have any vote in such elections, as appeared by the New Rules for regulating corporations in this kingdom, which Rules have the sanction of an act of parliament: New Rules.

'That by the aforesaid Rules the persons elected are to be certified to your majesty's chief governor and privy council of this kingdom for their approbation:

'That the city of Dublin hath been so careful in the election of their Lord Mayors, that from the first making of the New Rules in the year 1672 till within a few months past, no person elected Lord Mayor of Dublin was ever disapproved of by the government and council (excepting one, who was objected to by Lord Tyrconnell in 1687), to make room for sir Thomas Hackett,[1] a Papist, who then succeeded in the Mayoralty of this city. Hackett.

'That your petitioners are so unfortunate as to have been obliged five several times last Easter to proceed to a choice of a Lord Mayor and Sheriffs for the ensuing year, by reason the government and council were pleased so often to disapprove the several persons elected by your petitioners, though your petitioners have not heard that any objection had or could be made to the sufficiency or loyalty of the persons so elected; they being all educated in the church of Ireland, as by law established, and on every occasion have shown a hearty affection for your majesty's government. Elections. Disapprobation.

[1] *See* vol. v., page xlvii.

1711. Constantine. Petition to Queen Anne.

'That the first disapprobation of the elected Lord Mayor was grounded on a petition of alderman Constantine to the late lords justices and council, who set forth that of right he ought to be chosen Lord Mayor in the year 1709, being the eldest alderman who had not been Lord Mayor of the said city.

Answer.

'That your petitioners answered the said petition, and, as they conceive, made it appear on a public hearing at the council board, that by the New Rules and acts of parliament on which they are founded, your petitioners

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were not confined in their elections or obliged to choose the next senior alderman.

'That in several elections in this city, immediately or soon after making the New Rules, the senior alderman who had not served was postponed, and a junior alderman elected Lord Mayor:

Jones. Allen. Brewster.

'That alderman Jones was senior alderman to sir Joshua Allen and to sir Francis Brewster, yet each of those junior aldermen were elected Lord Mayor, videlicet, Allen in 1673 and Brewster in 1674:

'And alderman Jones, the senior alderman, who had not been Lord Mayor, though put in election, was

Rejection.

postponed and rejected, and the junior alderman disapproved by the government and council:

'That the like election was made in this city in the

Bennett.

year 1676, in the case of alderman Bennett, and at several times before and since the Revolution: therefore, to confine your petitioners' choice to the next in station would deprive them of the freedom of electing, in regard none can be said to elect who are obliged to choose this or that particular person:

'Your petitioners do further humbly shew that there hath not been any petition or objection made (as far as

Elections.

they know or heard) against the several elections of the city Sheriffs for the next ensuing year; yet eight of them

Disapproval.

since last Easter have been disapproved without being summoned or heard.

'That the near approach of Michaelmas (the time for changing the magistrates) puts us under a necessity of imploring your majesty's most gracious interposition, and to beseech your majesty to give such orders herein that your petitioners' right of electing magistrates for this city may not hereafter be turned into a nomination of city magistrates by the government and council: 1711. Michaelmas. Petition to Queen Anne.

'We have lived several years, and hope to continue much longer, under the happy influence of these royal virtues so eminently conspicuous in your majesty, and we do with grateful hearts acknowledge that we have in many ways felt and experienced the blessed effects of them during the whole course of your majesty's mild and glorious reign:

'And we humbly beg leave to hope that this our dutiful and humble application to your majesty will be taken as an instance of our entire reliance on your majesty's justice and goodness, and not to proceed (as in truth it doth not) from any disrespect or opposition to the government you have placed over us: and we are willing to make any compliance consistent with our right and freedom of election and the oaths we have taken to maintain the liberties of your majesty's ancient and loyal city: Freedom of election.

'May it therefore please your majesty to give such timely relief herein to your petitioners as to your majesty in your great wisdom shall seem meet: and they will pray, etc.'"

Letter from John Eccles, Lord Mayor of Dublin, to James, Duke of Ormonde, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland:

"Dublin, 1st September, 1711.

"May it please your grace,—It being the misfortune of this city to have so many of their elected magistrates disapproved, the board of aldermen, in order to continue the succession of the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs, have, by their humble petition to her majesty, which I this day sent to Letter to Duke of Ormonde.

1711. Letter to Duke of Ormonde.

your grace, set forth a short state of their case, and humbly implored her majesty's royal interposition, in regard the time of changing their annual magistrates is so nigh at hand:

"And forasmuch as all applications hence to her majesty ought only to be made by and through your grace, they have directed me to desire your grace would be pleased to lay the same before her sacred majesty, and at the same time to assure your grace that what they have done therein proceeds from the necessity they are under of having new magistrates legally qualified by next Michaelmas, and not from the least disregard to your grace, for whom they have, and ever will retain, the highest esteem, and shall endeavour on all occasions to convince your grace that the city heartily wish the honour and prosperity and long continuance of your government over them:

"Your grace's most dutiful and very humble servant,—John Eccles."

Ormonde to Lord Mayor of Dublin.

"Kilkenny, 7th September, 1711.

Ormonde to Lord Mayor.

"My Lord,—I have received your lordship's letter, with the enclosed petition, which, according to your desire, I have sent into England to be laid before her majesty. I am, my lord, your lordship's most humble servant,

"Ormonde."

Election unconfirmed.

1711. September 27.—"The election of Samuel Walton, Lord Mayor, not having been confirmed, and Mr. John Tisdall and Mr. John Bradshaw as Sheriffs not having been confirmed, we, the Lord Mayor and aldermen, have proceeded to a new election, and put in election alderman William Gibbons, alderman Benjamin Burton, and alderman John Pearson

Votes. Pearson.

"And there were thirteen voices for alderman Pearson, one for alderman Gibbons, and two for alderman Burton:

we have therefore elected alderman Pearson Lord Mayor for the ensuing year: 1711.

"And Mr. Garrett Nevill was by us unanimously elected one of the Sheriffs: And for the other there were put in election, Mr. William Empson, Mr. Jos. Walker and Mr. William Phillips: And there were fifteen voices for Mr. Empson, one for Mr. Walker and three for Mr. Phillips: We have therefore elected Mr. William Empson the other Sheriff for the ensuing year. Sheriffs. Empson.

"The election of alderman John Pearson, Lord Mayor, and Mr. Garrett Nevill and Mr. William Empson, Sheriffs, being disapproved, the following persons were put in election: alderman Robert Constantine, alderman Ralph Gore and alderman Robert Mason: And there were two voices for alderman Constantine, eighteen voices for alderman Gore, and none for alderman Mason: We have therefore elected alderman Gore Lord Mayor for the ensuing year: And Mr. Daniel Falkiner was unanimously elected one of the Sheriffs: And for the other Sheriff there were put in election Mr. William Empson, Mr. Joseph Walker, Mr. William Aston and Mr. David King: And there were sixteen voices for Mr. Walker, five for Mr. Aston, and none for Mr. King: We have therefore elected Mr. Joseph Walker the other Sheriff for the ensuing year." Disapproval. Gore. Walker.

1711. October 1.—"That it is the undoubted right of the Lord Mayor and aldermen of the city of Dublin to elect such of the aldermen to the Mayoralty of this city as they shall think most fit, without regard to seniority or juniority, and that no other person or persons have a right to vote in such election: Right of election.

"The Lord Mayor and twenty of the aldermen were for it and two against it." Votes.

1711. October 3.—"The election of alderman Ralph Gore as Lord Mayor having been approved of, and the Gore, Lord Mayor.

1711. election of the Sheriffs, Mr. Daniel Falkiner and Mr. Joseph Walker having been disapproved of, we, the Lord Mayor and aldermen, have proceeded to a new election
Sheriffs. Election. of Sheriffs, and put in election Mr. Humphry French, Mr. David King, and Mr. William Aston: And there were seventeen voices for Mr. French, none for Mr. King, and one for Mr Aston: We also proceeded to another election of the other Sheriff, and there were put in election Mr. John Porter, Mr. Huband and Mr. Richard Blaire: There were no voices for Mr. Porter, one for Mr. Huband, and seventeen for Mr. Blaire: We therefore have elected
French. Blaire. Mr. Humphry French and Mr. Richard Blaire Sheriffs for the present year, commencing Michaelmas last."

1712. Election. 1712. May 2.—"The former elections having been disapproved, the following persons were put in election: alderman Constantine, alderman Barlow and alderman Cooke: And there were thirteen voices for alderman Barlow, one voice for alderman Constantine, and one for alderman Cooke: We therefore have elected alderman
Barlow. Barlow Lord Mayor for the ensuing year; And Mr. Henry
Sheriffs. Glegg was unanimously elected one of the Sheriffs, and for the other were put in election Mr. Thomas Somervill, Mr. Nicholas Grueber and Mr. William Westland: And there were sixteen voices for Mr. Somervill, one for Mr. Grueber, and none for Mr. Westland: Mr. Somervill is therefore elected the other Sheriff for the ensuing year."

1712. July 6.—"The former elections having been
Rejection. Election. rejected, the following persons were put in election: alderman Robert Constantine, alderman Samuel Cooke and alderman Robert Mason: There was one voice for alderman Robert Constantine, fourteen for alderman
Cooke. Cooke and none for alderman Mason: alderman Cooke was therefore elected Lord Mayor for the ensuing year: Mr. Thomas Bradshaw was unanimously elected one of the

Sheriffs, and there were put in election for the other Sheriff Mr. Nicholas Grueber, Mr. John Porter and Mr. William Aldrich: There were two voices for Mr. Grueber, none for Mr. Porter and fifteen for Mr. Aldrich: Mr. Aldrich is therefore elected the other Sheriff for the said year." 1712. Aldrich.

Ordered, on the petition of alderman James Barlow, that he be admitted to go above the cushion, and to wear a scarlet gown, etc., and for the future to take his station accordingly. Barlow. Cushion. Scarlet gown.

1712. July 18.—"The election of Mr. Aldrich as Sheriff not being approved of, the following persons were put in election: Mr. Daniel Blundel, Mr. Edward Surdevill and Mr. Nicholas Grueber: And there were three voices for Mr. Blundel, fourteen voices for Mr. Surdevill, and none for Mr. Grueber: Mr. Surdevill is therefore elected the other Sheriff for the ensuing year." Disapproval. Surdevill. Sheriff.

"By the right honorable the Lord Mayor and aldermen of the city of Dublin, the 17th day of April, 1713:[1] 1713.

"We, the Lord Mayor and aldermen, have this day proceeded to the election of a Lord Mayor, and put in election alderman Robert Constantine, alderman Robert Mason, and alderman John Stoyte; And there was one voice for alderman Robert Constantine: And there was one voice for alderman Robert Mason: And there were seventeen voices for alderman John Stoyte: Election. Stoyte.

"And we have this day elected the said alderman John Stoyte Lord Mayor of the said city of Dublin for the next ensuing year, commencing Michaelmas next:

"And Mr. John Porter was by us unanimously elected one of the Sheriffs of the said city for the same year: Porter.

"And for the other Sheriff there were put in election Mr. Edward Butler, Mr. William Dobbins, and Mr. Joshua Crowder; And there were three voices for Mr. Sheriff. Butler. Dobbins.

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[1] "Monday Book" of Lord Mayor and Board of Aldermen of Dublin.

1713. Edward Butler, nine for Mr. William Dobbins, and for Mr. Joshua Crowther ten voices: And we have likewise this day elected the said Mr. Joshua Crowder the other Sheriff for the next ensuing year:

Crowder.

"George Forbes.—John Eccles.—Samuel Cooke.—Thomas Curtis—Ralph Gore.—John Rogerson.—William Dickson.—James Barlow.—Thomas Pleasant.[1]—Thomas Quin.—Thomas Bolton.—Samuel Walton.—Anthony Barkey.—John Page.—Mathew Pearson.—William Quayle.—Benjamin Burton.—Thomas Wilkinson.—John Pearson."

1713. May 8.—"Whereas the several aldermen of the city of Dublin, whose names are hereunto subscribed, were yesterday summoned by the Water-Bailiffs of the said city, being the proper officers for that purpose, to meet with the Lord Mayor this day, at the Tholsell of the said city, to elect a Lord Mayor and Sheriff for the ensuing year (the last election of a Lord Mayor and one of the Sheriffs being disapproved): That the Lord Mayor and board of aldermen having accordingly met, his lordship signified to them the occasion of their meeting, and thereupon drew a paper out of his pocket on which was written the following words, 'May the 8th, 1713, in election for the Lord Mayor:

Sir Samuel Cooke, Lord Mayor.
Tholsel.
Election.
Aldermen.

'Sir William Fownes:—alderman Robert Constantine:—alderman Robert Mason:'

Fownes.
Constantine.
Mason.

"And then the Lord Mayor, sir Samuel Cooke, knight, proposed to the board of aldermen that the three above mentioned aldermen should be put in election for the Mayoralty of the said city for the next ensuing year:

Proposal.

"To which several of the aldermen then present made their objections, and insisted on their right of having it put to the question whether any, and which, of the said three aldermen should be put in election for the Mayoralty of the said city:

Objections.

[1] Also written—"Pleasants."

"It was objected against sir William Fownes that he had lately[1] served in the Mayoralty: 1713. Fownes.

"Against alderman Constantine it was objected that he had already been eight times put in election for the Mayoralty, and as often rejected by a great majority: Constantine. Rejection.

"It was further objected against alderman Constantine that he had for a considerable time refused to attend the duty of his place when thereunto summoned: Constantine.

"Whereupon a debate arising, a question was proposed to be put to the vote of the board of aldermen, whether alderman Constantine should be put in the election for the Mayoralty of the city, which question being seconded by several of the said aldermen, the Lord Mayor absolutely refused to propose the said question, and declared if the aldermen would not proceed to an election of one of the three aldermen above mentioned, he would allow them no other choice, and then rose off his chair in order to withdraw himself from the said board: Refusal.

"Whereupon the majority of the aldermen then present entreated his lordship to continue with them till the election for which they were summoned was over, but his lordship absolutely refused so to do: Aldermen.

"That several of the aldermen then told his lordship if he would wilfully withdraw from the board in hopes to prevent them from proceeding to make the election for which they were duly and legally summoned, they should proceed to elect a Mayor and Sheriff, and then signified to his lordship that they were almost unanimous for electing alderman Pleasant Lord Mayor for the ensuing year: Pleasa

"Nevertheless, the said sir Samuel Cooke withdrew from the Tholsell, contrary to the advice, request and demand of the aldermen whose names are subscribed, whereupon the subscribing aldermen, being a majority of the whole board of aldermen, continued their assembly at the Tholsell in expectation that the said Lord Mayor might return Withdrawal.

[1] A.D. 1708. *See* vol. vi., p. 388.

1713. to them at the Tholsell, and join with the board of aldermen in proceeding to an election:

Tholsel. "That the said aldermen having continued in their said assembly at the Tholsell several hours, at length sent a messenger in their names to his lordship, intimating to him that they waited for his lordship's return to them, and that they earnestly desired the same, they being unwilling to proceed to an election without him, without an absolute necessity,

Aldermen. "To which message he returned an answer that he would not come: whereupon the board of aldermen, consisting of the aldermen whose names are hereunto subscribed, on the 8th day of May, being legally thereunto summoned and assembled, proceeded to an election of a Lord Mayor of the said city for the ensuing year, and then unanimously elected and chose alderman Thomas Pleasant Lord Mayor of the said city for the ensuing year, and James King, of Corn Market, in the said city, merchant, one of the Sheriffs of the said city for the ensuing year:

"Ralph Gore.—John Rogerson.—Thomas Quin.—Samuel Walton.—John Page.—Benjamin Burton.—John Pearson.—John Eccles.—James Barlow.—J. Stoyte.—Thomas Bolton.—Anthony Barkey.—William Quayle.—Thomas Wilkinson.—George Forbes.—Thomas Curtis.—William Dickson."

"To Sir Samuel Cooke, Lord Mayor of Dublin, from lords justices and privy council of Ireland.

"Dublin Castle, 5th September, 1713.

Lords justices and privy council. "My lord,—The lords justices and council, upon hearing the cause between the aldermen and your lordship, and upon solemn debate and full consideration of the matter, unanimously came to the resolutions enclosed, which their excellencies and lordships have commanded me to send your lordship, to the end you may proceed to a new election, that made by the seventeen aldermen, without

your lordship, being null and void: I am, my lord, your lordship's most humble servant,—J. Dawson." 1713.

[Enclosure.]

1713. September 11.—"Resolved: It is the opinion of this board that the Lord Mayor of the city of Dublin for the time being has the right of nominating three aldermen to be put in election for Lord Mayor of Dublin, and that the Lord Mayor and aldermen of Dublin are obliged to elect one of the three aldermen nominated to be the succeeding Lord Mayor, unless just objections be made against them. Resolution. Elections.

"Resolved: That the proceeding of the said seventeen aldermen to the election of alderman Pleasant for Lord Mayor, and of James King for Sheriff, for the ensuing year, in the absence of sir Samuel Cooke, knight, Lord Mayor of Dublin, is a breach of the New Rules, and such their elections are null and void,—Joshua Dawson."[1]

"By the Lord Mayor and board of aldermen of the city of Dublin:

1713. September 21.—"Whereas alderman John Stoyte was elected Lord Mayor, and Mr. John Porter and Mr. Joshua Crowder were elected Sheriffs, of the city of Dublin for the next ensuing year, and accordingly presented to the government and council for their approbation: whereupon the said Joshua Crowder was approved for one of the Sheriffs of the said city; but there being no approbation of the said alderman John Stoyte, or of the said John Porter, we, the Lord Mayor and board of aldermen, have this day proceeded to a new election, and put in election alderman Robert Constantine, alderman Robert Mason and alderman Thomas Bolton: And there were two voices for alderman Constantine, one voice for alderman Mason, and eighteen voices for alderman Bolton: Stoyte. Porter. Crowder. Election. Votes.

"And we have this day elected the said alderman

[1] Depnty Clerk of Privy Council, Ireland.

1713. Bolton. Aldrich. Thomas Bolton Lord Mayor for the ensuing year: And Mr. William Aldrich was likewise by us unanimously elected Sheriff for the same year, in the place of the said John Porter:

"William Fownes.—Samuel Cooke.—William Quayle. —John Eccles.—Ralph Gore.—George Forbes.—James Barlow.—John Rogerson.—Thomas Curtis.—John Stoyte. —Thomas Quin.—Robert Cheatham.—Thomas Pleasant. —Samuel Walton.—William Dickson.—Anthony Barkey. —Thomas Wilkinson.—John Page.—William French.— Benjamin Burton.—Mathew Pearson.—John Pearson."

"To Sir Samuel Cooke, Lord Mayor of Dublin:

"Council Office, 24th September, 1713.

Certificate. "My Lord—The certificate of the election of alderman Thomas Bolton to be Lord Mayor, and of William Aldrich, merchant, to be Sheriff, of the city of Dublin for the ensuing year, having been laid before the lords justices and council, the board have thought fit to disapprove the said election, both of alderman Thomas Bolton and William Aldrich, of which I give your lordship this intimation, that your lordship may proceed to elect other persons in order to their being approved: I am, my lord, your lordship's most humble servant,—Joshua Dawson."

Lords justices and privy council. Election. Approval.

2. Lords Justices[1] and Privy Council of Ireland to Queen Anne:[2]

1713. October 1.—Council Chamber in Dublin Castle:

"To the Queen's most excellent majesty.

Representation to Queen Anne. "The humble representation of the lords justices and council of Ireland:

"May it please your majesty:—

"The lords justices having, upon Sunday, the 27th of September last, received your majesty's commands

[1] Sir Constantine Phipps, lord chancellor, Ireland, and John Vesey, Protestant archbishop of Tuam.

[2] "Report from committee appointed by order of the House of Commons." Dublin: 1716.

relating to the election of a Lord Mayor for the city of Dublin, thought fit in a matter of that great moment to communicate the same the next day to this board, from which we, with great satisfaction, observed that the expedient of laying aside the person against whom exception was taken on account of his having served already in the office of Lord Mayor, and putting another in nomination in his stead (which had already been made use of), was so agreeable to your royal sentiments. 1713. Representation to Queen Anne.

"We are now full of hopes that your majesty's great condescension would meet with a ready compliance from the city, and, being much straitened in time, we thought it advisable immediately to send for the Lord Mayor and aldermen to attend us in council, where your majesty's directions were read unto them. And the Lord Chancellor having exhorted them to make a proper and seasonable use of your majesty's gracious expedient, we dismissed them, to proceed to an election accordingly; and to prevent any misunderstanding or mistake that might happen, ordered a clerk to attend at their assembly with a copy of what had been read unto them, that they might again hear what was directed, if they desired it. Lord Mayor, aldermen. Privy council.

"It is with great concern we acquaint your majesty that the event hath shown that all your goodness and favour hath had no more power to prevail over some men's obstinacy than our determinations and resolutions had before; for though the Lord Mayor hath exactly pursued your majesty's commands, yet a great majority of the aldermen have again refused to come to an election; and, without just regard to that obedience they owe your majesty, without a due consideration of the evil consequences that may follow, seem fully bent to comply with no methods but their own, nor to close with any other terms but what they themselves shall offer. Aldermen. Refusal.

"We sincerely profess unto your majesty upon this occasion that we have had no other view in any of our actings than to support your majesty's prerogative, and Royal prerogative.

1713. Dublin. Kingdom of Ireland. to do justice in order to preserve the peace and quiet of this city and kingdom. And therefore we think it our duty to your majesty to lay our proceedings in this matter in a true light before you, that so your majesty may judge of the whole, and be the better informed to take such measures as may secure and establish your authority here, and prevent the corporation of Dublin, as well as others of this nation who may be led by their example, from falling into confusion.

Corporation of Dublin.

"Give us leave then, in all humility, to represent unto your majesty, that upon the settlement of Ireland soon after the restoration of your majesty's royal family, for the prevention of all future rebellions, and that the good subjects of Ireland might be secured against all insurrections and attempts for the time to come by the Acts of Settlement and explanation, there was a power vested in the government and council of this kingdom to make rules, during the space of seven years, for the better regulation of cities and corporations, and electing magistrates within the kingdom of Ireland, which rules were to be as good and effectual in law as if the same had been established by act of parliament.

Restoration. Acts of Settlement. Cities. Corporations.

"That in pursuance of this power the lord lieutenant and council, in the year 1672, made Rules for regulating the corporation of the city of Dublin and the electing magistrates there;[1] wherein, amongst other things, it is ordered that the election of Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, and treasurer of the city of Dublin shall be for ever hereafter only by the Lord Mayor and aldermen of the said city, there being always eight aldermen at the least present at such election, and that no other person or persons whatsoever shall at any time hereafter have any vote in the election of the said officers.

Rules.

"That the said officers, when elected, shall be approved by the government and council; and if not approved within ten days after their names shall be presented to

Officers. Elections. Approval.

[1] *See* vol. i., p. 60.

the government and council, then and in such case the said corporation shall, from time to time, proceed to a new election of fit persons for the said respective offices for which the persons so presented shall not be so approved of, and shall in like manner present their names to the government and privy council of this kingdom until they shall have chosen such persons for the said respective offices as shall be so approved of as aforesaid. 1713. Names.

"That these Rules, in our humble opinion, made no other alteration touching elections, but that in other cases not inconsistent with the said rules, all by-laws, ancient usages, and the manner and method of electing, were the same still, and stood upon the foundation they did before the said rules were made.

"That it appears by the city books[1] that in the eleventh of queen Elizabeth there was a by-law made in order to prevent confusion in elections to this effect: That every alderman should keep his turn for bearing the charge of the Mayoralty, according to his ancienty, and that the order of succession should be observed in such elections. City books. By-law. Elections. Aldermen. Mayoralty.

"This by-law stood in force until the year 1652, when in those times of anarchy and confusion it was repealed.[2] But such great inconveniences and disorders followed thereupon during the small space of five years, that in 1657 the ancient by-law was again restored,[3] even by those men who had such a strong bias towards popularity, and were forward and ready upon all occasions to run liberty into licentiousness. Repeal. Restoration.

"And it is to be observed that notwithstanding all the several changes of the manner of election, it appeared to us that three were always put in nomination by the Lord Mayor, even while the by-law of succession was in force, out of whom the aldermen chose one, and incapacity or a just objection were at all times thought reason sufficient to lay aside a senior alderman, and frequently one of such who were put above the cushion was again chosen Mayor; Nomination. Succession. Cushion.

[1], [2], [3] *See* p. 556.

1713. and this happened the very year after the aforesaid
Dee. rules were made in the case of alderman Dee; and very
Page. lately alderman Page was a third time elected Mayor, even by those persons who now make it a strong objection
Fownes. against alderman Fownes; so that it seems to be an occasional reason, only to be brought against those men whom the majority of the aldermen do not like.

"Upon this foot matters stood until the year 1709 (the
Earl of Wharton. earl of Wharton being then in the government), at which
Constantine. time the aldermen Constantine, Forrest, and Eccles being
Forrest. put in election for the Mayoralty of the city, alderman
Eccles. Forrest was chosen, without any just objection made against alderman Constantine, who was the senior; upon which the said alderman Constantine, thinking himself injured, preferred a petition to the then lord lieutenant and council; but it being then said that the forementioned by-law was a sleepy and obsolete law, alderman Forrest was approved of, though the same persons since, both in their pleadings and actings, have laid a great stress upon that law, and have awakened it sufficiently to serve other purposes.

"In the summer following, alderman Forest dying,
Page. alderman Page, who served formerly in the Mayoralty, was elected and approved.

"At Easter assembly, 1710, alderman Eccles being elected Mayor, alderman Constantine again preferred his
Petition. petition, which was rejected, without being permitted to be heard by his council, though he prayed for it in his petition, as he had before done in the preceding year, and alderman Eccles was approved.

Duke of "In April, 1711, when the duke of Ormonde was lord lieutenant of Ireland, alderman Barlow being elected and certified to the lords justices and council, alderman
Ormonde. Constantine renewed his petition, setting forth that by
Constantine. ancient, immemorial, and uninterrupted usage, the senior alderman below the cushion ought to serve; but that, contrary to such usage, and without alleging the least

incapacity or disability in him, alderman Barlow (who was junior alderman) was preferred before him, to which petition the Lord Mayor and aldermen put in their answer, and upon full and solemn hearing of the cause, it appeared to this board that there was such an ancient usage as the petitioner set forth, and that there was a by-law to that effect, to choose the senior alderman, unless there was a manifest incapacity in him, or just objection to the contrary; upon a due consideration of which alderman Barlow was for this and other reasons disapproved. But notwithstanding the determination of this board, the Lord Mayor and aldermen did after this, in contempt of authority, and in violation of the Rules aforesaid, which required that they should proceed to a new election of a fit person, choose the same alderman Barlow again, who had been before disapproved by this board as unfit: And to prepare the way for this attempt upon the board, while alderman Constantine was presenting his claim, a petition was framed amongst the aldermen, as coming from certain of the commons unto them, and making it their desire to have the forementioned by-law abrogated, which before was said to be old, obsolete and insignificant:

1713. Barlow

Answer.

Ancient usage.

Disapproval.

Petition.

"This petition was afterwards at a post assembly, to which many of the commons had never been summoned, ushered in with a great noise and clamour in a tumultuous manner, with a cry of 'Popery, Popery'; the by-law was repealed as Popish, though made in the reign of queen Elizabeth; and though neither the by-law nor the ordinance to repeal it were read in the assembly, notwithstanding the same was required; whereupon thirty-six of the common-council-men offered their protest.

Post-assembly.

Queen Elizabeth.

"Things having been thus carried, as appeared to us upon oath, the aldermen, now thinking themselves secure of their point, and that they had the law on their side, made a show of some favour to alderman Constantine, and him, whom before they had put above the cushion

Aldermen.

Constantine.

1713. against his will, they removed below it again, under pretence to capacitate him to be put in election for Lord Mayor, whom, as it appears by the sequel, they were resolved never to choose.

"And we pray leave to observe to your majesty that the same aldermen, as a farther proof of their disrespect to the government, did, in disobedience to the law, in the year 1712, elect and certify the said alderman Barlow a third time unto this board, who, for the same reason as before, and with the same justice, was again rejected.

Disobedience

Barlow.

"With the same spirit of obstinacy they have also certified one Aldrich for Sheriff, who had been twice before disapproved, and is a factious person, and a disperser of libels against the government.

Aldrich.

"We shall not trouble your majesty with a tedious detail of aldermen elected and disapproved. But in October, 1711, alderman Constantine, finding no inclination in the aldermen to do him justice, and to give ease and quiet to the city and council, waived his pretensions to the Mayoralty for that time, with a saving to his right for the future, and so alderman Gore was approved of for Lord Mayor.

Elections and disapprovals.

Mayoralty.

Gore.

Cooke.

"After him succeeded alderman Cooke, the present Lord Mayor (alderman Constantine having again waived his claim for that time, with a saving to his right), who, April the 17th, 1713, proceeded to an election. Aldermen Constantine, Mason and Stoyte were put in nomination, and alderman Stoyte was chosen and certified, though he was the youngest alderman of the three, in manifest injury to the two senior aldermen, against whom no objection was then made; and therefore, and for other good reasons, they conceived him unfit, and disapproved of him, and he since appears to be one of the seventeen aldermen that are under the censure of the council-board.

Nomination.

Stoyte.

Senior aldermen.

Censure.

"Thereupon the Lord Mayor called another assembly of aldermen, and, according to custom, and as he had

Assembly of aldermen.

done without opposition in the former election, he put three in nomination, viz., sir William Fownes, who was formerly Lord Mayor, aldermen Constantine and Mason, who were the two senior aldermen that had not served as Lord Mayor nor been disapproved. But the aldermen would not proceed to an election until a question they proposed should first be put to the vote, relating to sir William Fownes being put in election, which the Lord Mayor refused, conceiving it entrenched on his privilege of nominating three.

1713. Fownes. Constantine. Mason. Refusal. Privilege.

"The aldermen persisting in their demand, and refusing to proceed to an election till that were done, the Lord Mayor withdrew, whereby that assembly was in law dissolved; nevertheless, seventeen of the aldermen continued together, and in the absence of the Lord Mayor, and contrary to the said rules, which require that the election should be by the Lord Mayor and eight aldermen at least, they elected alderman Pleasant, and certified him to the lords justices and council under their hands, and not under the seal of the city; whereupon, and after the Lord Mayor's answer, their reply and his rejoinder, the whole matter came to a solemn hearing at the council-board, which continued two days, videlicet, the third and fourth of September last; and the cause being fully heard and maturely considered, the lords justices and council (sixteen privy councillors being present) came unanimously to the following resolutions upon the points, which as well the Recorder and other council for the seventeen aldermen, as the council for the Lord Mayor, had argued and submitted to the judgment of the board:

Lord Mayor. Withdrawal. Election. Pleasant. Certificate. Council-board. Hearing. Recorder. Arguments.

"Resolved—It is the opinion of this board that the Lord Mayor of the city of Dublin for the time being has the right of nominating three aldermen to be put in election," etc., as at page 537.

Resolutions.

"Resolved—That the proceedings of the said seventeen aldermen," etc., as at same page.

1713. Privy council. "The council being inclined to treat the aldermen with tenderness, in hopes they would come to a better temper, proceeded no farther at that time, and twice adjourned the consideration of their punishment; but finding no good effect from this forbearance, the board, upon the twenty-fourth of September last, came to a resolution that the seventeen aldermen, for their breach of the New Rules, in taking upon themselves to elect alderman Pleasant Lord Mayor of Dublin, and James King Sheriff, in the absence of sir Samuel Cooke, knight, Lord Mayor of Dublin, should be prosecuted for the same according to law.

Prosecution.

Bolton. "Upon the same day alderman Bolton (who had the day before been put in nomination by the Lord Mayor with alderman Constantine and alderman Mason) was certified to us to have been elected Lord Mayor, but he being the junior alderman, and one of the seventeen who had been declared by us guilty of the breach of the New Rules, he was unanimously disapproved.

Certificate.

Disapproval.

Lord Mayor. "The Lord Mayor, being willing to comply for the peace of the city as far as he could, did again assemble the aldermen on the twenty-fifth of September, and did name the three eldest aldermen that had not been Mayors or disapproved, videlicet, Constantine, Mason and French; but the aldermen would not proceed to the election of any one of them. And after your majesty's pleasure was made known unto them, the Lord Mayor assembled the aldermen the twenty-ninth of September, and having taken notice to them of the expedient directed by your majesty, his lordship, instead of him against whom exception was taken on account of his having served already in the office of Lord Mayor, nominated the said alderman French, the senior alderman below the cushion that had not been disapproved; but the aldermen continued obstinate, and the assembly broke up without any election at all.

Assembly.

Nomination.

Aldermen.

French.

"Thus, may it please your most sacred majesty, we

have truly and impartially laid our proceedings before you, by which we hope it fully appears that we had no other views than what we have before possessed, the maintenance of your royal prerogative, the dignity of your government, and the peace and good order of this city, that elections may not be there carried on wholly with regard to party and faction (as in our humble opinion they have been too much of late), but that each member thereof may in his turn succeed in the magistracy according to the ancient by-laws and practice, and that they who have gone through the offices of great trouble and expense in the city may not without reason or any just objection be put by the honour of the Mayoralty, the power of approbation which is so fully vested in this board by act of parliament. 1713. Royal prerogative. Party. Faction. Magistracy. Offices.

"We have only executed to these ends, as we thought we were in duty bound, in regard to that high trust your majesty is pleased to repose in us, and which we could not otherwise have thought we had rightly discharged; on which accounts we do with all humble submission depend that your majesty will graciously approve of what we have done, and that you will also please to give such directions in a case of this importance to prevent the confusion the city is now likely to run into, as to your majesty's great wisdom and justice shall seem meet. We are, may it please your majesty, your majesty's most loyal and most dutiful subjects,

"Constantine Phipps, canc.—John Tuam.

"Inchiquin.[1]—Abercorn.[2]—W. Meath.[3]—W. Kildare.[4]—Tho. Raphoe.[5]—Ed. Down and Connor.[6]—Kerry[7].—Charles Feilding.—P. Savage.—Richard Cox.[8]—Robert Doyne,[9]—William Stuart.—Samuel Dopping."

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1 William O'Brien, earl of Inchiquin.
2 James Hamilton.
3 William Moreton, bishop of Meath.
4 Welbore Ellis, bishop of Kildare.
5 Thomas Lindsay, bishop of Raphoe.
6 Edward Smith.
7 Thomas Fitzmaurice earl of Kerry.
8 Chief Justice, king's bench.
9 Chief Baron, Exchequer, Ireland.

1713. [3 i.]—Aldermen of Dublin to queen Anne:

"To the queen's most excellent majesty:

Petition to Queen Anne. "The humble petition of sir John Rogerson, knight, Thomas Quin, John Page, Samuel Walton, Benjamin Burton, John Pearson, John Eccles, Ralph Gore, James Barlow, John Stoyte, Thomas Pleasant, Thomas Bolton, Anthony Barkey, Thomas Wilkinson, Matthew Pearson, William Quayle, George Forbes, Thomas Curtis, Robert Cheatham, and William Dickson, aldermen of the city of Dublin:

"Sheweth: That the Lord Mayor and aldermen of this city, at their last Easter assembly, proceeded to the Election. election of a Lord Mayor and Sheriffs for the present year, and certified to the then lords justices and council-board of this your majesty's kingdom that they had Stoyte chosen alderman John Stoyte Lord Mayor, and John Porter. Crowder. Porter and Joshua Crowder Sheriffs, against which election no complaint or petition was preferred to the council-board, the said persons being duly elected, all of them of known zeal for your majesty's person and government and the Church of Ireland, as by law established, of which they, as well as your petitioners, are professed and sincere members.

Lords justices and council. "That the lords justices and council disapproved the election of alderman Stoyte for Lord Mayor and of the said John Porter for one of the Sheriffs, but approved the election of the said Joshua Crowder. Whereupon the board of aldermen since that time, and before last Michaelmas, proceeded to the election of other persons for the Mayoralty and for one of the Sheriffs of this city, who were disapproved before the arrival of his Duke of Shrewsbury. grace the duke of Shrewsbury, your majesty's lord lieutenant of this kingdom.

"That your majesty having been so gracious as to signify your royal pleasure for the quiet of this your Boling-broke. city in a letter from the lord Bolingbroke, which was read to your petitioners at the council-board, that the

Lord Mayor should nominate a new person in the place of sir William Fownes, who was above the cushion, which would have effectually quieted all our disorders: yet the Lord Mayor was so far from paying due regard thereto, that he put in nomination no new man, but changed one of his first three nominee aldermen for alderman French (who had been rejected by the board before the arrival of the lord Bolingbroke's letter). 1713. Nomination. Fownes.

"That since last Michaelmas sir Samuel Cooke, Lord Mayor of the said city for the year 1712-13 (without any new election), has thought fit to continue in the Mayoralty for a second year, and refuses to permit your petitioners to proceed to the election of a Lord Mayor, unless they will allow him (and in consequence all succeeding Lord Mayors) the sole right of nominating three aldermen for the Mayoralty (one of whom and no other he would oblige your petitioners to choose), which attempt of the said sir Samuel Cooke's is wholly new, and, as your petitioners humbly conceive, not warranted by the charters, by-laws or usages of this city, and contrary to what your petitioners know hath been the practice observed in the city ever since your petitioners have been members thereof. Sir Samuel Cooke. Right of nomination. Charters. By-laws. Usages.

"That your petitioners, being summoned to attend the council-board of this kingdom on the eighth of January last, heard the opinions of your majesty's council learned in the laws once read to them, who were (excepting one) of opinion, as the facts appeared to them on a case or representation said to have been sent hence with some opinion of your majesty's judges of this kingdom thereon, that sir Samuel Cooke might hold over beyond his year, and continue acting as Lord Mayor of this city: that he (as Lord Mayor) had a right to nominate three aldermen to be put in election for the Mayoralty (one of whom the aldermen were obliged to choose), on which points till then your petitioners did not know your majesty's said judges of this kingdom had given any opinion. Council board. Cooke.

1713. "That your petitioners, having nothing more at heart than the prosperity and ease of your majesty's government and the peace of this city, caused the charters, by-laws and other records and books of this city relating to such elections to be laid before several eminent lawyers in this kingdom, who were unanimous in opinion that the Lord Mayor had not in him (exclusive of his brethren the aldermen) the sole right of nominating the eligees for the Mayoralty, one of whom, and no other, the board of aldermen must choose.

Charters. Records. Lawyers. Lord Mayor. Right of nomination.

Sir Samuel Cooke. "That sir Samuel Cooke (whose year in the Mayoralty expired last Michaelmas) could not continue in the said office a second year without a new election and approbation.

"That your petitioners believe, had their case been fully stated in the representation or stated case on which your majesty's said council gave their opinion, there could not have been such a difference in opinion, and therefore your petitioners, by their humble petition to the said council-board, desired they might be allowed copies thereof, but were refused the same.

Privy council.

"That your petitioners think themselves in duty bound to lay their case (which is hereunto annexed) before your majesty, and the grounds on which they proceeded, your petitioners having no other view than a faithful discharge of the trust reposed in them by the city, and of the oaths they have taken to maintain those rights and charters they derive from the crown, and have hitherto enjoyed under the royal prerogative thereof.

Oaths.

"That your petitioners have so just a sense of the many blessings they enjoy under your majesty's most auspicious and glorious reign, that they have always endeavoured to elect such persons to the magistracy of this city as had distinguished their zeal for your person and government, and for the Church as by law established Nevertheless, your petitioners, for adhering to those rights, which by their oaths they are bound to maintain, have (to their

Church.

great grief) been traduced and exposed as seditious and factious, though they are twenty of the four and twenty aldermen who concur in opinion, whose interest it must be to promote the good and quiet of this city. 1713. Numbers.

"And forasmuch as this city since last Michaelmas hath been, and still continues, in great disorder and confusion for want of new magistrates for the present year, the late Sheriffs (on whom it was penal to continue acting longer than the last Hilary term) having since the last day of the said term declined to intermeddle in the said office: Dublin. Disorder. Confusion. Sheriffs.

"Your petitioners therefore humbly pray your majesty would be graciously pleased to take their annexed case[1] into your royal consideration, and to make such order thereon as shall seem in your great wisdom most proper for the relief of your petitioners, and redressing the aforesaid disorders. And they will pray, etc.

"John Rogerson.—Thomas Quin.—Samuel Walton.—John Page.—B. Burton.—John Pearson.—John Eccles.—Ralph Gore.—James Barlow.—J. Stoyte.—Tho. Pleasant.—Tho. Bolton.—Anthony Barkey.—Tho. Wilkinson.—Matthew Pearson.—William Quayle.—George Forbes.—Thomas Curtis.—Robert Cheatham.—William Dickson."

Deposition by Charles Atkins:

[3 ii.] "Charles Atkins, a clerk in the Tholsel office of the city of Dublin, came this day before me, John Usher, esquire, one of the masters of her majesty's high court of chancery in Ireland, and deposeth that he carefully compared the copies of the several by-laws annexed to and mentioned in the annexed case with the original rolls or by-law book remaining in the Tholsel office of the city of Dublin, and believes that the same are true copies of the said by-laws. Atkins. Tholsel office. Usher. Chancery. Rolls. By-law book.

"And further deposeth that the several clauses of the charters of the city of Dublin inserted in the said case Charters.

[1] *See* page 553.

1713. Poll papers. Elections. are (to the best of this deponent's belief) for so much true copies of the said charters, and also that the several poll papers mentioned in the said case agree with the poll papers remaining in the Tholsel office on the election of Mayors and Lord Mayors of Dublin, and that the copies of all the said poll papers annexed to the said case are true copies of all the poll papers relating to the election of a Mayor or Lord Mayor, which are to be found in the said Tholsel office, as this deponent verily believes on the strictest inquiry and comparing he could make. This deponent further deposeth that the several abstracted orders mentioning that the three aldermen who were put in election by the Lord Mayor and board or court of aldermen, and which are in the said case set forth, are (for so much) truly abstracted from the original orders from the Monday books.

Orders. Aldermen. Monday Books.

"This deponent further deposeth that he does not know, believe or remember that he hath at any time read, seen or discovered any charter, by-law, entry, paper or evidence whatsoever, which gives or mentions any right or usage for the Mayor or Lord Mayor of Dublin (exclusive of the aldermen) to put three in election for the Mayoralty, one of whom the aldermen were to elect, or which impowers the Mayor or Sheriffs to hold over beyond the year for which he or they were elected.

Right. Usage.

"This deponent verily believes the annexed case to be a just and true state of the case in relation to the election of a Lord Mayor or Mayor of the city of Dublin; the cause of this deponent's belief herein is, that he, this deponent, served the Town Clerk of the said city for several years past, and officiated as a clerk in the Tholsel office of Dublin, and was employed in making the searches in the rolls, charters and by-laws of the said city in the several disputes that have happened on the election of city magistrates for about or near three years past.

Town Clerk. Searches.

"And this deponent, on drawing up the annexed case, was again employed to search the rolls, books and papers for the truth of the facts therein set forth, which he did with great care and diligence, and believes the same to be truly set forth therein.—Charles Atkins." 1713. Deposition by Atkins.

"Sworn before me: John Usher, 15 February, 1713[-14.]"

[3 iii.] "The case of the city of Dublin in relation to the election of the Lord Mayor of the said city: Case of City of Dublin.

"By an inspeximus of king Edward I. of several grants of king Henry III. it appears that king Henry III. granted a choice of a Mayor to the citizens of Dublin[1]. . . Edward I. Henry III.

"King Henry IV., in the second year[2] of his reign, confirms to the city of Dublin several grants and charters of his predecessors, and among the rest a charter of king Edward III., which gives and confirms to the said citizens the liberties of Cork, Waterford and Drogheda, amongst which it is directed that the Mayor of the preceding year may give the oath to the new Mayor . . . [3] Henry IV. Edward III

"King Edward VI., in a charter, dated 21 April, in the second year[4] of his reign, wherein he nominates the corporation of the city of Dublin and constitutes the bailiffs, Sheriffs, grants thus, 'Damus et concedimus,' etc.[5] Edward VI.

"That the Mayor of Dublin was only an annual officer appears also by several by-laws, particularly one made in the second year of Edward VI., whereby it is enacted that from Michaelmas to Michaelmas continually for ever after, the Mayor of the year past shall go with the Mayor for the time being. Vide by-law marked No. (1.)[6] Edward VI.

"That the bailiffs, who are succeeded now by the Sheriffs of the city, were annual officers, appears also by the entries of their elections in the city rolls, videlicet, Michaelmas assembly, 26 Henry VIII., at the aforesaid Henry VIII.

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[1] *See* vol. i., p. 11.
[2] A.D. 1400. *See* vol. i., p. 27.
[3] A.D. 1363. *See* vol. i., p. 22.
[4] A.D. 1548.
[5] *See* vol. i., p. 35.
[6] *See* vol. i., p. 419.

1713. assembly were elected and chosen to be bailiffs of the city of Dublin for the year next ensuing, Christopher Costrete and John Mony, merchants.[1]

Nomination. "There is no charter or by-law which gives the Mayor of Dublin a power or right to nominate three aldermen to be put in election for the Mayoralty, or to confine the aldermen to choose one of the three to be nominated by the Mayor.

"But it is now pretended that it hath been the constant and ancient usage in the city of Dublin, as well before as since the making the New Rules in the year 1672, that the Mayor for the time being did nominate

Election. the three aldermen who were to be put in election for the Mayoralty, one of whom the Mayor and aldermen always elected Mayor; and for proof thereof several

Poll papers. election or poll papers have been produced, which are in the forms following, and as in the copy of the poll papers is set forth:

'26th April, 1661:

George Gilbert, Mayor. 'Alderman George Gilbert elected Mayor for the year next ensuing, beginning at Michaelmas next, by the Mayor and table of aldermen.'

"Others of them in this form:

'11th April, 1662:

'The persons in election for Mayor of the city for the ensuing year:

John Cranwell, Alderman,— | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | —

William Cliff, Alderman, ———————————————

Robert Cook, Alderman, ———————————————

'May 1st, 1674:

'To be chosen Mayor for the ensuing year:

Alderman Jones,— | — | — | ———————————————

Sir Francis Brewster,— | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | ———————————————

Alderman Bennet, ———————————————

[1] *See* vol. i., p. 399.

"In which papers the Mayor for the time being wrote down or ordered to be written the names of the three aldermen to be put in election, and then read them to the board; and cross strokes were made thereon by the electors. These poll papers and this method of proceeding to the election of Mayor is insisted on by sir Samuel Cooke as evidence of the Mayor's right of nomination, and what is called an ancient and uninterrupted usage, which ought to presume a by-law, though no such by-law is now to be found to support and justify this usage and practice. 1713. Election. Method of proceeding.

"The oldest and first poll paper found amongst the city books and papers for the election of a Mayor of Dublin is dated the 18th of April, 1645, in the words following, videlicet: Poll paper. Mayor.

'To be elected Mayor for the ensuing year:

Philip Watson, Alderman,— | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | ———

Andrew Clerke, Alderman, ———————————————

Edward Lake, Alderman, ———————————————

"There are only two poll papers to be found for the election of Sheriffs before the year 1645, videlicet: Sheriffs.

'29th November, 1622:

'Sheriff:

William Weston,— | — | — | — | — | ———————————

Thomas Taylor, ———————————————

Michael Browne,— | — ¦ ———————————

Thomas Ormsbe,— | — | — | ———————————

'19th December, 1622:

'To be elected Sheriff:

George Johns,— | ———————————

Thomas Ormsbe, ———————————————

Thomas Evans,— | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | ———————————

"Before the year 1622 no poll paper appears of any election whatsoever; from the year 1622 till the year 1645 no poll paper appears of any election of Mayor or Sheriffs.

1713. "All the poll papers of the election of Mayors of Dublin till the year 1713 which are to be found, are set forth and transcribed truly in the paper hereunto annexed, whereby it appears that immediately after the making the New Rules in 1672 the next senior alderman Cushion. under the cushion was not the person[1] elected into the Mayoralty; notwithstanding which the lord lieutenant and council approved such elections.

Richard III. "It appears that by a by-law, made in Richard the third's time, a copy whereof is hereunto annexed,[2] that the jurees[3] (the name then used for the aldermen), videlicet, Henry VII. the title of the assemblies in Henry the seventh's time, should, on every Holyrood day, name one of themselves Mayors. to be Mayor from Michaelmas for the whole year.

Queen Elizabeth. "It appears also, in the reign of queen Elizabeth, that it is enacted by a by-law, a copy whereof is hereunto annexed,[4] that every alderman, according to his antienty, should keep his turn for bearing the charge of the Mayoralty.

By-law. "This by-law, which established the succession of the senior aldermen, continued in force till the year 1652, and then it was enacted that the Mayor and aldermen Nomination. should nominate the three aldermen to be put in election for the Mayoralty.

"The by-law of 1652 was afterwards repealed in the year 1657, which by-law enacts that the next senior alderman, according to his ancienty, should bear the Mayoralty. office and charge of the Mayoralty; which by-laws are hereunto annexed,[5] which may be read at large.

"From 1657 till the making of the new rules in 1672, Law of succession. the by-law of succession took place, except in two instances, one of alderman Richard Cooke, in the year

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[1] "1672, September 27: Mayor to be chosen for the ensuing year: Alderman Robert Deey,— | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | ——. Alderman Thomas Jones,— | ———. Alderman Joshua Allen,———." The paper above mentioned is now in possession of the Editor of this work.

[2] *See* vol. i., p. 367.

[3] *See* vol. i., p. 272.

[4] *See* vol. iii., p. 56.

[5] *See* vol. iv, pp, 36, 113.

1663, the other of sir Daniel Bellingham in 1664, each of whom, by act of assembly,[1] was excused from serving in his turn: and the law of succession was by the said acts of assembly dispensed with in the said cases, which had been needless had there been then a custom to choose any one of three the Mayor should name. 1713. Bellingham. Law of succession.

"That the New Rules in 1672 enact that the election of the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs, etc., shall be for ever hereafter only by the Lord Mayor and aldermen, eight aldermen at least being present. Vide New Rules at large.[2] Enactment.

"The board of aldermen observing that no objection was made at the council board against alderman Barlow's loyalty or sufficiency, it being then only insisted on that alderman Constantine, being the next senior alderman, had a right to succeed in the Mayoralty, the assembly of the city in the year 1711, to avoid the objection which was made on the by-law of succession against alderman Barlow, repealed the said law of succession in express terms; and thereby further enacted that all other by-laws restraining the right or manner of electing Lord Mayors in the city of Dublin, or whereby the same is restrained, limited, circumscribed, abridged or directed, were thereby repealed and made void to all intents and purposes whatsoever; which by-law to this day continues in force.[3] Barlow. Constantine. Objection. Repeal. By-laws.

"The most ancient alderman of Dublin now living, nay all of them, who served in the Mayoralty (except sir William Fownes), if their testimony[4] is to be admitted in this case, affirm, 'That they always apprehended that the Lord Mayor being in the chair was allowed only to propose the persons to be put in election for the board's approbation; that the nomination was jointly in them with the Lord Mayor; and that since they have been Aldermen. Approbation.

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[1] *See* vol. iv., pp. 262, 287.
[2] *See* vol. i., pp. 56-67.
[3] *See* vol. iv., p. 437
[4] *See* page 561.

1713. aldermen the usual course hath been for the Lord Mayor
Conference. and aldermen to confer together, before they came to the place of election, and to agree among themselves who should be elected: whereupon the Lord Mayor for
Tholsel. the time being, when he went to the Tholsel with the aldermen, put the persons so agreed on among themselves in election, by writing down their names in the
Poll paper. poll paper; and thereupon they proceeded on the election.'

Monday book. "It appears in the Monday book, by an order dated
Order. the 15th of May, 1711, of the then Lord Mayor and aldermen (alderman Samuel Cooke being one of the subscribing aldermen), that the Lord Mayor and court of aldermen put in election the three aldermen for the Mayoralty.

"The like order subscribed by the Lord Mayor and by
Cooke. alderman Samuel Cooke and other aldermen, dated the 2nd of August, 1711, is entered in the said Monday book, whereby it appears that the then Lord Mayor and court of aldermen put in election the three aldermen for the Mayoralty.

"The like order signed by the then Lord Mayor and by
Aldermen. alderman Samuel Cooke and other aldermen, dated the 18th of August, 1711, in which it is inserted that the three candidate aldermen for the Mayoralty were put in election by the Lord Mayor and court of aldermen.

Order. "The like order, dated the 31st of August, 1711, and signed by the then Lord Mayor and by alderman Samuel Cooke, alderman William French, and other aldermen.

"The like order, dated the 27th day of September, 1711, signed by alderman Samuel Cooke, etc.

"On the 1st of October, 1711, an order was made and entered in the said Monday book by the Lord Mayor and aldermen; whereunto alderman Samuel Cooke and alderman William French subscribed, with several other
Declaration. aldermen, thereby declaring that it is the undoubted right of the Lord Mayor and aldermen of the city of

Dublin to elect such of the aldermen to the Mayoralty as they shall think fit, without regard to seniority or juniority," etc., as at page 531. 1713. Right of election.

"On the 17th of April, 1713 (sir Samuel Cooke then Lord Mayor) an order is entered in the Monday book,[1] subscribed by sir Samuel Cooke, that the Lord Mayor and aldermen had put in election alderman Robert Constantine, alderman Robert Mason, and alderman John Stoyte for the Mayoralty. Cooke.

"The 21st of September, 1713, the like order is entered in the said book,[2] signed by sir Samuel Cooke, the then Lord Mayor, and one and twenty of the aldermen, whereof sir William Fownes and alderman William French are two; wherein it is set forth that the Lord Mayor and board of aldermen had that day put in election alderman Robert Constantine, alderman Robert Mason and alderman Thomas Bolton. Aldermen.

"Second point: That in the entries of the election and of the approbation of the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs of Dublin, it is always mentioned they are so elected and approved to serve for one year. Entries.

"That the constant usage in the said city has been to swear the new elected Lord Mayor on the next day after Michaelmas (if it were not Sunday), in which case the old Mayor continues to act on the day next after Michaelmas day till the new Mayor be sworn, when Michaelmas day is not on Saturday; and when Michaelmas day is on Saturday, the old Mayor continues to act on the Monday following till the new Mayor on that day be sworn, and no longer, except in the present pretence of sir Samuel Cooke, and what was done in the lord Tyrconnell's time after judgment on a quo warranto was given against the city charter.[3] Usage. Swearing. Michaelmas.

"No one other instance can be given in the memory of any man now living, that any Lord Mayor in Dublin,

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[1, 2] Ms., pp. 1, 5.

[3] *See* vol. v., p. xliv.

1713 Election. other than as aforesaid, ever acted as such, without a new election of the board of aldermen, longer than till the new Lord Mayor was sworn on the very day next after Michaelmas day, if it were not a Sunday; if Sunday, longer than Monday, being the first of October, which was the case in alderman Eccles's Mayoralty in the year 1711, when Michaelmas day fell on a Saturday; he continued to act as Lord Mayor till and on Monday the first of October, and then laid aside his rod, sword and mace, and walked the streets as a private man, refusing to act any longer as Lord Mayor, though no succeeding Lord Mayor at that time was approved or returned to the city from the council board.

Michaelmas. Eccles. Rod. Sword. Mace.

"Neither is there any entry, record or evidence found in any of the city books or entries that any Mayor of Dublin, without a second election, took on him to act after his year expired, except where the day after Michaelmas day happened on a Sunday, and in such case never after the Monday following, otherwise than as aforesaid.

City books.

"That during the continuance of the rebellion, which began in 1641, in this kingdom, alderman William Smith was Mayor in the year 1642, and continued Mayor in the years 1643, 1644, 1645; yet in those times of distraction he was new elected;[1] the entry in the book being in these words, 'Alderman William Smith, now Mayor, shall be accepted and continued to serve as Mayor and magistrate of this city for this next year,' etc.

William Smith.

"By a by-law made 13th James I., it is enacted that no person shall be elected or continued Mayor two years successively; vide the by-law.[2]

By-law.

"That before and on last Michaelmas day, a majority of the aldermen being assembled with the Lord Mayor, in order to elect a Lord Mayor and Sheriff for the present year (their former election being disapproved by

Aldermen. Disapproval.

[1] *See* vol. iii., pp. xxxv., 395, 410, 424. [2] *See* vol. iii., p. 60.

the council board), consenting to proceed to the election of a Lord Mayor and Sheriff, and to elect any one of the aldermen he pleased, who had not served in the Mayoralty, other than one of his three nominee aldermen (whom at their last meeting he had nominated and endeavoured to obtrude on them for their choice). 1713. Election. Restriction by Sir Samuel Cooke.

"But his lordship absolutely refused to permit the board of aldermen to proceed to any election unless they would submit to a right his lordship then laid claim to of nominating three aldermen (one of whom, and none else, his lordship declared they should choose), since which time the city has been in great disorder and confusion, and the sessions, assemblies and courts of the city unattended." Refusal. Claim. Nomination. City.

1713-14. February 15.—Certificates from ex-Lord-Mayors and aldermen: 1713-14.

[i.] "We, the aldermen of the city of Dublin, whose names are hereunto subscribed, and who have served as Lord Mayors of the city of Dublin, do hereby certify and declare severally each for himself, that when we were Lord Mayors we conferred with our brethren the aldermen, and had their approbation of the persons to be elected Lord Mayor and Sheriffs, and after such approbation and conference we put the persons agreed on and approved by the Mayor and aldermen in election for Mayor and Sheriffs: Certificate. Conferences. Approbation.

"And we further certify, that we never apprehended, nor so much as heard, that any Lord Mayor before sir Samuel Cooke ever pretended to the sole right of nominating three aldermen to be put in election for the Mayoralty without the concurrence and against the consent of the majority of the board of aldermen: Cooke. Nomination.

"We further certify that no Mayor or Lord Mayor of Dublin in our memory, or at any time before that we ever heard, took on him to hold over beyond the day Michaelmas.

1713-14. after Michaelmas-day, where it did not fall on a Sunday, and in that case longer than Monday, the first of October, as it fell out in alderman Eccles's Mayoralty in the year 1711, when Michaelmas-day fell on a Saturday:

"As witness our hands this 15th day of February, anno Domini 1713[-14]:

"B. Burton.—John Pearson.—John Eccles.—Ralph Gore.—John Rogerson.—Thomas Quin.—Samuel Walton. —John Page."

Certificate. [ii.] "We, the aldermen of the city of Dublin, who have not as yet served in the Mayoralty, do hereby certify that we always understood, since we became acquainted with the affairs of the city of Dublin, that the right of nominating the three aldermen to be put in election for the Mayoralty was in the Lord Mayor and board of aldermen, and not in the Lord Mayor solely:

"As witness our hands this 15th day of February, anno Domini 1713[-14]:

"Matthew Pearson.—William Quayle.—George Forbes. —Thomas Curtis.—Robert Cheatham.—William Dickson. —James Barlow.—John Stoyte.—Thomas Pleasant.— Thomas Bolton.—Anthony Barkey.—Thomas Wilkinson."

1714. Sir John Eccles. 1714. May 10.—Statement by sir John Eccles:

"John Eccles, one of the aldermen of the city of Dublin, came this day before me, and made oath that

Lord Mayor. he was Lord Mayor of the said city in the year 1710, and alderman thereof about fourteen years, during which

Right to nomination. time he always took it to be the right of the Lord Mayor and aldermen to nominate three eligees for the Mayoralty:

"And further deposeth that since he hath been an alderman, the usual method hath been for the Lord

Lord Mayor's house. Mayor for the time being, at the Lord Mayor's house on the Friday assembly, or at some other time before the election of a Lord Mayor, to discourse and agree with

his brethren on persons to be elected Lord Mayor and Sheriffs, and when they went to the Tholsel, the persons so agreed on were put in nomination and elected: 1714. Tholsel.

"And this deponent further saith that he never heard or knew that any Lord Mayor of Dublin before sir Samuel Cooke pretended to the sole right of nominating the three aldermen to be put in election for the Mayoralty, when the majority of the aldermen were against putting such persons in nomination and election: but, on the contrary, this deponent hath known persons named by the Lord Mayor to be put in election for Sheriffs, to have been put out of the nomination papers when objected to by the aldermen: Cooke. Pretension. Sheriffs.

"That when this deponent was Lord Mayor, he, this deponent, designed to have alderman Gore, one of the nominee aldermen for the Mayoralty, to succeed this deponent, and communicated his intentions of so doing to several of the aldermen, several of whom told this deponent alderman Gore should not succeed in the Mayoralty; whereupon this deponent used his endeavours to engage them to consent thereto, which after some time and with some difficulty they did: Gore. Objection.

"And this deponent having their concurrence thereto did afterwards, on the day of election, nominate the said alderman Gore and two other aldermen, which nomination the board approved, and thereupon went to an election, and elected alderman Gore Lord Mayor, and this deponent then, and since he hath been an alderman, thought the majority of the board could put a negative on a person nominated by the Lord Mayor to be put in election for the Mayoralty: Nomination. Election Negative.

"That the said alderman Gore's approbation not being returned on the Monday after Michaelmas-day, which Michaelmas-day then fell on Saturday, this deponent went home from the Tholsel on the said first of October, 1711, threw off his gown, and laid aside his rod and all the regalia: Approbation. Tholsel. Regalia.

1714. "That on the Wednesday following, alderman Gore being approved, this deponent went privately to the Tholsel without the rod, sword or mace carried up before him as usual, but looked on himself after his year to be no longer magistrate, and this deponent in no instance acted as Lord Mayor after the first of October, 1711. This deponent further deposeth that he was Lord Mayor of the said city when the by-law of succession was repealed; that he, the day before the meeting of the said assembly, gave instructions to the officer of commons (who is since dead) to summon every one of the common council to meet at an assembly to be held the next day at the Tholsel, where the said assembly was accordingly held, and the by-law of succession repealed;[1] and this deponent verily believes that by the great appearance that was at that assembly, the officer of commons duly executed this deponent's aforesaid orders.—John Eccles."

Rod. Sword. Mace.

By-law. Repeal.

Common Council.

"Sworn before me, George Warburton, 10th May, 1714."

"By the right honourable the Lord Mayor and aldermen of the city of Dublin:

1715. 1715. April 15.—"We, the Lord Mayor and aldermen, having this day proceeded to the election of a Lord Mayor, and the Lord Mayor having proposed that alderman Robert Constantine, alderman Robert Mason and alderman John Stoyte should be put in nomination for the Mayoralty, several objections were made by the aldermen against the said Robert Constantine being so put in nomination:

Election.

Objections.

"And the question being put, whether the said alderman Robert Constantine should be in nomination, it was unanimously carried in the negative:

Constantine.

"Whereupon the said Lord Mayor and aldermen put in alderman Robert Mason, alderman John Stoyte and alderman Thomas Pleasant:

Mason. Stoyte. Pleasant.

Stoyte. "And the said alderman John Stoyte was by the

[1] *See* page 543, 557.

Lord Mayor and aldermen unanimously elected Lord Mayor of the said city of Dublin for the next ensuing year, commencing from Michaelmas next: 1715.

"And Mr. John Porter, merchant, was by us unanimously elected one of the Sheriffs of the said city for the same year: Porter.

"And for the other Sheriff the Lord Mayor and aldermen put in election Mr. John Tisdall, Mr. Percival Hunt and Mr. Charles Hendrick, and there were fourteen voices for Mr. John Tisdal, two for Mr. Percival Hunt, and one for Mr. Charles Hendrick Tisdall. Hunt. Hendrick

"And we have likewise this day elected the said Mr. John Tisdall, the other Sheriff for the same year:

"Anthony Barkey. — Francis Barlow. — Mathew Pearson.—John Rogerson.—William Quayle.—Thomas Quin. — George Forbes. — Samuel Walton.—William Dickson.—Benjamin Burton.—John Page.—John Pearson, John Eccles.—Ralph Gore."

"To their excellencies: the lords justices of Ireland and the right honourable the lords and others of his majesty's most honourable privy council of the same:

"May it please your excellencies and lordships:

"Pursuant to the Rules, orders and directions made and established by the lord lieutenant and council of this kingdom the 24th day of September, 1672, pursuant to a clause in the Act of Settlement for the better regulating the corporation of the city of Dublin and electing magistrates and officers there, we, the Lord Mayor and aldermen of the said city, have proceeded to an election of the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs of the said city for the next ensuing year, and have chosen and elected alderman John Stoyte to be Lord Mayor, and Mr. John Porter and Mr. John Tisdall to be Sheriffs of the said city for one year, to commence from Michaelmas next, which we humbly present to your excellencies and lordships for your approbation: Dated this 29th of April, 1715." Certificate of election. Stoyte. Porter. Tisdall.

"This is a copy of the certificate returned to the Government."

1715. Certificate. "James Barlow.—Anthony Barkey.—John Rogerson. —Thomas Quin.—John Pearson.—Samuel Walton.— George Forbes.—Mathew Pearson.—Thomas Curtis.— Benjamin Burton.—Ralph Gore.—Thomas Bolton.— Thomas Pleasant.—William Quayle.

"By the right honourable the Lord Mayor and board of aldermen of the city of Dublin, at the Tholsell."

Election of alderman. 1715. July 22.—"We, the Lord Mayor, and aldermen, having this day proceeded to the election of an alderman in the stead and place of sir Samuel Cooke, some time since, by act of assembly, disfranchised,[1] and the station list of the Sheriffs' peers being read, the Lord Mayor proposed that Mr. Thomas Bradshaw, Mr. Michael Sampson, and Mr. Nathaniel Shaw, Sheriffs' peers, should be put in nomination for aldermen:

"And an objection being made to Mr. Thompson and Mr. Shaw, and the question being put, whether the said Sampson and Shaw should be put in nomination, it was carried in the negative by the majority of the board:

"Whereupon the Lord Mayor proposed Mr. Edward Surdeville and Mr. Peter Verdoen, also Sheriffs' peers, to be put in nomination with the said Mr. Thomas Bradshaw:

"And the majority of the board approving of and consenting to the said persons being put in nomination, the said Lord Mayor and aldermen did therefore put in election the said Thomas Bradshaw, Edward Surdeville, and Peter Verdoen; and upon the poll the said Thomas Bradshaw had twelve voices, Edward Surdeville two, and Peter Verdoen two:

Bradshaw. "Whereupon the said Thomas Bradshaw was declared to be duly elected alderman in the stead and place of the said sir Samuel Cooke, and was then and there accordingly sworn:

"James Barlow.—John Rogerson.—Ralph Gore.—

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[1] *See* vol. vi., p. 530.

Thomas Quin.—Anthony Barkey.—John Page.—Thomas Curtis.—John Pearson.—William Dickson.—Thomas Bolton." 1715.

1715-16. January 21.—"That in regard alderman Ralph Gore was chosen treasurer for the year commencing Michaelmas 1712, and no other treasurer being elected for the then ensuing year commencing Michaelmas 1713, sir Samuel Cooke pretending to hold over, and the city being without a Mayor, and the city having no opportunity of choosing a treasurer for that year, we do order that the said alderman Ralph Gore do receive all the perquisites as treasurer for the said year, commencing Michaelmas, 1713, in regard of his great services done this city. 1715-16. Gore. Treasurer. Perquisites.

"James Barlow.—Samuel Walton.—Benjamin Burton.—John Pearson.—Thomas Pleasant.—Thomas Bolton.—George Forbes.—Thomas Curtis.—William Dickson.—J. Stoyte."

"We, the Lord Mayor and board of aldermen, having this day proceeded to the election of an alderman in the stead and place of Mr. Alderman Bradshaw, deceased: the Lord Mayor proposed Mr. Edward Surdeville, Mr. Thomas Kirkwood and Mr William Dobson: Election of alderman.

"And the question being put whether Mr. Thomas Kirkwood should be in nomination, it was unanimously carried in the negative: Kirkwood.

"Whereupon the Lord Mayor proposed Mr. Edward Surdeville, Mr. William Dobson and Mr. Richard Blaire to be put in nomination: And the Lord Mayor and aldermen approving thereof, they unanimously elected the said Mr. Edward Surdeville alderman, in the stead and place of the said Mr. Thomas Bradshaw, deceased, and he was then and there accordingly sworn:

"John Eccles.—John Stoyte.—James Barlow.—John Pearson.—John Rogerson.—Thomas Bolton.—John Page.—Anthony Barkey.—Mathew Pearson.—George Forbes.—William Dickson."

1716. 1716. April 13.—"We, the Lord Mayor and board of aldermen, having this day proceeded to the election of a Lord Mayor for the next ensuing year, the Lord Mayor proposed that alderman Robert Constantine, alderman Robert Mason, and alderman Thomas Pleasant should be put in nomination for the Mayoralty, but several objections being made by the aldermen against the said alderman Robert Constantine being so put in nomination, and the question was put whether the said alderman Robert Constantine should be in nomination, it was unanimously carried in the negative:

Election of Lord Mayor.

Objections.

"Whereupon the said Lord Mayor proposed that alderman Robert Mason, alderman Thomas Pleasant, and alderman Thomas Bolton should be put in nomination for the Mayoralty:

Mason. Pleasant. Bolton.

"But several objections being made by the aldermen against the said alderman Robert Mason being put in nomination, the question was put whether the said alderman Robert Mason should be in nomination, it was unanimously carried in the negative:

Mason.

"Whereupon the said Lord Mayor proposed that alderman Thomas Pleasant, alderman Thomas Bolton, and alderman William French should be put in nomination for the Mayoralty, but several objections being made by the aldermen against the said alderman William French's being so put in nomination, it was unanimously carried in the negative:

Pleasant. Bolton. French.

"And thereupon the said Lord Mayor proposing alderman Thomas Pleasant, alderman Thomas Bolton, and alderman Anthony Barkey to be put in nomination, the aldermen approved thereof, and agreed thereto:

"Whereupon the said Lord Mayor and aldermen put in election the said alderman Thomas Pleasant, alderman Thomas Bolton, and alderman Anthony Barkey:

Pleasant. Bolton. Barkey.

"And alderman Thomas Pleasant was unanimously elected Lord Mayor of the city of Dublin for the next ensuing year, commencing from Michaelmas next; and

Mr. Thomas Surdeville, merchant, was by us unanimously elected one of the Sheriffs of the said city for the same year. 1716 Surdeville.

"And the Lord Mayor having proposed that Mr. William Empson, Mr. Percival Hunt and Mr. Nicholas Smith should be put in election for the other Sheriff, several objections were made by the aldermen against Mr. Nicholas Smith being so put in nomination, and the question being put whether the said Mr. Nicholas Smith should be put in nomination, it was unanimously carried in the negative: Empson. Hunt. Smith. Negative.

"Whereupon the said Lord Mayor proposing the said Mr. William Empson, Mr. Percival Hunt, and Mr. Charles Hendrick should be put in nomination, the aldermen approved thereof and agreed thereto, whereupon the said Lord Mayor and aldermen put in election the said Mr. William Empson, Mr. Percival Hunt, and Mr. Charles Hendrick, and proceeded to the election of the other Sheriff: there being fifteen votes for Mr. William Empson, one for Mr. Percival Hunt and none for Mr. Charles Hendrick, the said Mr. William Empson was declared by the Lord Mayor and aldermen to be elected the other Sheriff for the said year: Hendrick. Empson.

"John Eccles.—J. Stoyte.—John Pearson.—James Barlow.—Thomas Wilkinson.—John Rogerson.—John Page.—Mathew Pearson.—George Forbes.—William Dickson."

1716. May 22.—"Whereas alderman Thomas Pleasant was elected Lord Mayor of the city of Dublin for the year commencing from Michaelmas next, and was accordingly presented to the Government and approved of, and he having petitioned us to be excused from taking upon him the said office of Mayoralty by reason of his indisposition of body, he was by us excused, and it is ordered that he keep his station, be admitted above the cushion and wear a scarlet gown, he giving two Pleasant, Lord Mayor. Approval. Indisposition. Cushion. Scarlet gown.

1716. Claret. hogsheads of claret, one to the present and one to the succeeding Lord Mayor:

Election. "Whereupon we, the Lord Mayor and aldermen, have this day proceeded to a new election of Lord Mayor for the said year commencing as aforesaid, and the Lord Mayor proposed alderman Robert Constantine, alderman Robert Mason, and alderman Thomas Bolton to be put in nomination for the Mayoralty; but several objections being made by the aldermen against the said alderman Constantine being so put in nomination, and the question being put, it was unanimously carried in the negative:

Constantine. Mason. Bolton. Objections.

French. Objections. "Whereupon the Lord Mayor proposed alderman Robert Mason, alderman Thomas Bolton, and alderman William French to be put in nomination for the Mayoralty; but several objections being made by the aldermen against the said alderman Robert Mason and alderman William French being so put in nomination, and the question being put, it was unanimously carried in the negative:

Nomination. Bolton. Barkey. Pearson. "Whereupon the Lord Mayor proposed alderman Thomas Bolton, alderman Anthony Barkey and alderman Mathew Pearson to be put in nomination for the Mayoralty:

"The aldermen approved thereof and agreed therein, whereupon the said Lord Mayor and aldermen put to election the said alderman Thomas Bolton, alderman Anthony Barkey and alderman Mathew Pearson; and

Bolton, Lord Mayor. alderman Thomas Bolton was unanimously elected Lord Mayor of the said city for the ensuing year, commencing from Michaelmas:

"Benjamin Burton.—J. Stoyte.—George Forbes.—Thomas Quin.—Mathew Pearson.—Samuel Walton.—Edward Surdeville.—John Page.—William Quayle.—Thomas Curtis.—William Dickson."

Somervell. 1716. June 9.—"Whereas Mr. Thomas Somervell was elected one of the Sheriffs of the city of Dublin for the

year commencing from Michaelmas next, and was accordingly presented to the Government and approved, and he having this day petitioned us to be excused from taking upon him the said office, by reason of his indisposition of body, he was by us excused, paying as a fine sixty pounds to the city treasurer for the use of the city, and two hogsheads of claret, one to the present Lord Mayor and one to the Lord Mayor elect: Whereupon we proceeded to the election of a Sheriff in his room for the ensuing year commencing as aforesaid, and have unanimously chosen and elected Mr. David King one of the Sheriffs of the city of Dublin for the ensuing year, to commence from Michaelmas next as aforesaid:

1716. Approval. Petition. Fine. Claret. King, Sheriff.

"Benjamin Burton.—J. Stoyte.—Nathaniel Pearson.—Thomas Quin.—Edward Surdeville.—Samuel Walton.—John Page.—William Quayle.—Thomas Curtis.—Anthony Barkey.—William Dickson."

[Resolution of the House of Commons, Ireland:]

1716. June 9.—"Memorandum: that on the ninth day of June, 1716, colonel Joshua Allen, with several others of the members of the house of commons, came to the Lord Mayor and board of aldermen, and read to the board and after delivered the following resolution:

Allen. House of Commons, Ireland.

'By the honorable the knights, citizens and burgesses in parliament assembled:

1716. June 6.—'Resolved that the thanks of this house be given to the right honorable the lord chief justice Forster, late recorder, the nineteen surviving aldermen, and the surviving late Sheriff, Mr. Surdeville, for their great virtue and resolutions in defending the rights and liberties of the city of Dublin, and that Mr. Joshua Allen and Mr. Campbell do acquaint them therewith.'

Thanks of House. Forster. Aldermen. Surdeville.

"To which the Lord Mayor made the following answer: Answer.

"Gentlemen: We are highly obliged to the house of commons for the great honour they have done us.

1716. "We shall always make it our study to deserve their favor by a faithful and honest discharge of our duty to our country, and to the best of kings."

"By the right honourable the Lord Mayor and board of aldermen of the city of Dublin:

Election of alderman. 1716. July 27.—"We, the Lord Mayor and aldermen, having this day proceeded to the election of an alderman in the stead and place of alderman Ralph Gore, deceased, the Lord Mayor proposed Mr. John Porter, one of the present Sheriffs, and Mr. Joseph Kane and Mr. Thomas Kirkwood, and the question being put whether Mr. Kirkwood. Thomas Kirkwood should be in nomination, it was unanimously carried in the negative:

"Whereupon the Lord Mayor proposed Mr. John Porter, Mr. Joseph Kane and Mr. Richard Blair to be Nomination. put in nomination:

"The aldermen approved thereof and agreed thereto, whereupon the said Lord Mayor and aldermen unanimously elected the said Mr. John Porter alderman in Porter. the stead and place of the said alderman Ralph Gore, Gore. deceased, and he was accordingly sworn:

"John Stoyte.—John Rogerson.—Thomas Quin.—Samuel Walton—John Eccles—Thomas Bolton—Anthony Barkey.—Mathew Pearson.—George Forbes.—Thomas Curtis."

Election. 1716. September 26.—"We, the Lord Mayor and aldermen, having this day proceeded to the election of an Barlow. alderman in the stead and place of sir James Barlow, knight, alderman, deceased:

"The Lord Mayor proposed Mr. John Tisdall, one of the present Sheriffs, Mr. William Aldrich, and Mr. Thomas Kirkwood, and the question being put whether Mr. Thomas Kirkwood should be in nomination, it was unanimously carried in the negative.

"Whereupon the Lord Mayor proposed Mr. John Tisdall, Mr. William Aldrich, and Mr. Thomas Somerville

to be put in nomination. The aldermen approved thereof and agreed thereto, and went to an election accordingly, and there were seven aldermen for Mr. John Tisdall, for Mr. William Aldrich none, and eight aldermen for Mr. Thomas Somerville; and Mr. Thomas Somerville was elected alderman in the stead and place of the said sir James Barlow, deceased, and he was accordingly sworn: 1716. Tisdall. Aldrich. Somerville. Barlow.

"J. Stoyte.—William Dickson.—Edward Surdeville.—Thomas Quin.—Samuel Walton.—John Page.—John Pearson.—John Eccles.—William Fownes.—Robert Constantine.—Thomas Pleasant.—Thomas Bolton.—Anthony Barkey.—George Forbes.—Thomas Curtis."

II.

Representatives[1] of the Dublin Guilds on the Common Council[2] of the City, 1714, 1717.

1714.—Trinity Guild: William Aston, John Tisdall, William Empson, Richard Cunningham, Henry Glegg, Garret Nevill, John Nevill, Nicholas Grueber, George Cholmondley, Charles Hendrick, Percival Hunt, James King, senior. Thomas Somerville, Robert Higgins, John Porter, Samuel Barnes, John Hinde, Henry Burrows, William Harbourne, Edward Moland, St. John Bowden, Lewis Chaigneau, John Bradshaw, James Langly, William Fisher, Thomas Brereton, Thomas Stringer, Gilbert King, James Twigg, Daniel Elwood, Thomas Standford. 1714. Representatives of Dublin Guilds.

[2.] "Tailors: Adam Rea, Richard Walsh, William Ord, John Meares.

[3.] "Smiths: John Reison, George Roane, Alexander Johnston, John Hoskinson.

[4.] "Barber-Surgeons: Thomas Collins, John Stanton, John Wright.

[5.] "Bakers: John Meekins, James Ramsay, Israel Julibert, Richard Howston.

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[1] Monday Book, Ms. [2] *See* vol. i., p. 60.

1714. [6.] "Butchers: John Clinch, John Wilson, Peter Horton.

Representatives of Dublin Guilds. [7.] "Carpenters: Richard Mills, Ringan Trotter, James Nellson.

[8.] "Shoemakers: James King, Robert Nixon, John Carden, Mathew Brownlow.

[9.] "Saddlers and Upholders: Robert Johnston, John Berry, James Burnett.

[10.] "Cooks: Robert Pitt, Richard Knight.

[11.] "Tanners: John Warren, Robert Jackson.

[12.] "Tallow chandlers: Christopher Inch, Thomas Burrows.

[13.] "Glovers and Skinners: James Dowan, Edward Martin.

[14.] "Weavers: Ebenezer Shackleton, John Healin, Richard Daniell.

[15.] "Sheermen: Arthur Warren, John Nicholson.

[16.] "Goldsmiths: John Hamilton, Vincent Kidder, David King, Joseph Walker.

[17.] "Coopers: James Kelly, Anthony Allen.

[18.] "Feltmakers: James Esdall, Stephen Boodle.

[19.] "Cutlers, Paper-stainers and Stationers: Jeremiah Pepyat, James Aikins, Thomas Wilkinson.

[20.] "Bricklayers: William Caldbeck, Francis Quin.

[21.] "Hosiers: William Foot, Joseph Woods.

[22.] "Curriers: Philip Cooley, William Bignall.

[23.] "Brewers: Terence Reyly, Edward Dudgeon, John Paine, junior, Edmond Hoyle.

[24.] "Joiners: George Huthard, Francis Armstead."

1717. 1717.—[1.] "Trinity Guild: Charles Hendrick, James Somerville, Hugh Cuming, Henry Glegg, Garrett Nevill, Thomas Stringer, Robert Nesbitt, Percival Hunt, James King, senior, Nicholas Grueber, George Cholmondly, Robert Higgins, Samuel Barnes, William Harborne, Edward Moland, Daniel Elwood, Benjamin Young,

Stearne Tighe, Thomas Gledstaines, Daniel Falkiner, James Stevenson, John Shaw, David Latouche, William Melton, Thomas Corker, John Holliday, William Hendrick, Nicholas Revett, John Macarell. 1717. Representatives of Dublin Guilds.

[2.] "Tailors: Samuel Carde, Thomas Cogan, Joseph Forster, James Wiseheart.

[3.] "Smiths: Edward Bloxham, Alexander Johnson, James Johnson, Mathias Eglin.

[4.] "Barber surgeons: John Wright, Thomas Collins, John Stanton, James Linsey.

[5.] "Bakers: James Ramsy, John Meakins, Israel Julabert, Richard Houston.

[6.] "Butchers: John Clinch, Peter Horton, John Wilson

[7.] "Carpenters: Richard Mills Ringan Trotter, William Ord

[8.] "Shoemakers: John Johnson, John Dyer, Edmond Vanteindalo, William Heany.

[9.] "Saddlers and Upholders: Thomas Sage, George Chaddock, James Burnett.

[10.] "Cooks: Robert Pitt, Richard Knight.

[11.] "Tanners: Edward Beck, James Jenkins.

[12.] "Tallow-Chandlers: Josiah Rogers, Samuel Lamprey.

[13.] "Glovers and Skinners: John Bennett, Henry Watts.

[14.] "Weavers: Peter Heanis. John Lord, Richard Norton.

[15.] "Shearmen and Dyers: Arthur Warren, Robert Bull.

[16.] "Goldsmiths: Joseph Walker, John Hamilton, Erasmus Cope, Edward Slicer.

[17.] "Coopers: James Kelly, Anthony Allen.

[18.] "Feltmakers: John Brady, James Esdall.

[19.] "Cutlers, Paper-stainers and Stationers: Charles Kilpatrick, Thomas Lovett, John Fox.

[20.] "Bricklayers, etc.: Francis Quin, Daniel Steele.

[21.] "Hoziers: John Donnellan, Joseph Woods.

[22.] "Curriers: Timothy Downy, John Roe.

1717. Representatives of Dublin Guilds.

[23.] "Brewers and Malsters: Terence Reily, Edward Dudgeon, John Paine, John Low.

[24.] "Joiners: Robert Farrell, John Brock."

III.

ORDER FROM LORD MAYOR TO ALDERMEN OF DUBLIN.[1]

"Tholsell Chamber, 30th January, 1715[-16].

Order to aldermen.

"Sir,—Their Excellencies the lords justices having by letter from Mr. Secretary Bladen, bearing date the 29th of this instant January, signified to me that they have received advice of several unknown and disaffected persons having lately flocked in great numbers to this city, from whence great danger and inconvenience may arise, and also recommended in a particular manner to visit every house in this city and liberties, and take an exact account of the names, as well as of the housekeepers as of their lodgers, and of the time they have resided here:

"This is in pursuance of the said letter, and to the intent that the same may effectually be executed with the utmost care and dispatch, to desire you to-morrow to begin to visit all and every the houses in your ward, taking to your assistance your deputy aldermen and constables, or as many of them as you think necessary, and to take an exact and particular account of the names of all housekeepers in your ward, and of the lodgers in each house and men servants, and of the time they have respectively resided in such lodgings or service, and to distinguish which of them are Protestants and which Papists, to the intent it may be known what numbers have lately resorted to this place: And if upon such inquiry you meet with any suspected persons you are desired to secure them:

"And your proceedings herein you are also forthwith desired to make a return of to me, to the end the same may be laid before the Government.—John Stoyte."

[1] Monday Book, Ms.

IV.

NUMBER[1] OF HOUSES IN DUBLIN, 1701—1718.

"An abstract of the number of houses in the several parishes of the city of Dublin and suburbs thereof, with the increase since the year 1701 to 1712, and from 1712 to 1718, and from 1701 to 1718, as taken by survey in March, 1718:

PARISHES	Number of houses in 1701	Number of houses in 1712	Increase from 1701 to 1712	Number of houses in 1718	Increase from 1712 to 1718	Increase from 1701 to 1718
Christ Church yard ...	40	50	10	45	...	5
St. John's	304	312	8	316	4	12
St. Werbrugh's	333	374	41	378	4	45
St. Andrew's	741	1024	283	1132	108	391
St. Bridgett's	459	584	125	637	53	178
St. Audoen's	283	328	45	347	19	64
St. Michael's	153	171	18	175	4	22
St. Paul's	190	297	107	345	48	155
St. Michan's	694	978	284	1051	73	357
St. Mary's	303	805	502	1818	213	715
Christ Church Liberty ...	122	264	142	303	39	181
St. Nicholas' within ...	94	107	13	106	...	12
St. Nicholas' without ...	1158	1448	290	966	60	350
St. Luke's	...	...	...	542		
St. Katherine's	714	1032	318	1103	71	389
St. James'	240	269	29	287	18	47
St. Peter's	502	664	162	757	93	255
Donnybrook ...	274	455	181	496	41	222
Totals ...	6604	9162	2558	10004	848	3400

"Drawn the 20th July, 1719."

[1] Add. Ms. 21,138, fol. 62.—British Museum, London.

V.

Dublin Bills of Mortality, 1712-1718.

"A seven years brief of the Bills of Mortality for the city and suburbs of Dublin,[1] divided into the parishes of—

St. Patrick's,
St. Peter's and Kevin's,
St. Paul's,
St. Andrew's,
St. Audoen's,
St. Bridgett's,
St. John's,
St. Katherine's,
The French,
Christ's Church,
St. James',
St. Luke's,
St. Michael's,
St. Michan's,
St. Mary's,
St Nicholas' within,
St. Nicholas' without
St. Warborough's.

Years	Aged	Child-bed	Consump-tion	Convul-sion	Fever	Fits	Infants	Measles	Small-pox	Teeth	Males buried	Baptized	Females buried	Baptized	Of both sexes dead	
															Above 16 years	Under 16 years
1712	269		289	..	482	163	...	...	233	113	1129	309	1055	407	1028	1156
1713	264	...	267	96	490	...	142	124	429	172	1470	663	1339	550	1270	1539
1714	265	...	346	...	573	...	117	161	606	163	1404	659	1466	678	1222	1738
1715	242	50	338	...	513	186	131	120	592	151	1319	581	1370	537	1196	1493
1716	227	...	312	82	488	197	119	268	525	154	1293	591	1396	525	1124	1555
1717	214	72	358	48	637	259	146	122	674	131	1595	628	1426	521	1319	1702
1718	218	63	330	70	149	262	161	103	375	139	1302	667	1160	552	1237	1225

[1] Add. Ms. 21,138, fol. 64.—British Museum, London.

VI. 1718.

PORTRAIT OF GEORGE I.

"By the lords justices and council of Ireland."

1718. July 8.—"A proclamation:

"Whereas we have received information that on Sunday night, being the 29th day of June last, some infamous, wicked, and disaffected persons did break into the Tholsel of the city of Dublin, and did there maliciously deface and cut in pieces the picture of his majesty: Disaffected persons. Picture.

"To the end therefore that the said offenders may be known and discovered and prosecuted for the same: We, the lords justices and council, having the utmost abhorrence and detestation of so villanous and wicked an action, and being resolved to give all due encouragement for the discovery of the committers thereof, or of those who were any ways concerned therein, do by this our proclamation publish and declare, that we will give the necessary orders for the payment of the sum of one thousand pounds, sterling, to such person or persons as shall discover one or more of the persons concerned in defacing and cutting in pieces the said picture, so as he or they may be legally convicted thereof: Discovery. Reward.

"And we likewise further publish and declare, that in case any one or two of the persons concerned in cutting and defacing the said picture, do make a full discovery of his or their accomplices. so as one or more of them may be apprehended and thereof convicted, such discoverer and discoverers shall, besides the said reward, have and receive his majesty's gracious pardon for the same. Accomplices.

"Given at the Council Chamber in Dublin, the eighth day of July, 1718.

"Abercorn.—Jo. Meath.[1]—Santry.—Tyrawly.—Tullamoore.—Ralph Gore.—John Forster.[2]—Jeffrey Gilbert.[3]—Oliver St. George.—Benjamin Parry."

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[1] John Evans, Protestant bishop of Meath.

[2] Chief justice, common pleas, Ireland.

[3] Chief baron of Exchequer, Ireland.

VII.

PROJECTS IN RELATION TO DUBLIN HARBOUR BY CAPTAIN JOHN PERRY, 1721.

1721. 1. "The description of a method humbly proposed for the making of a better depth coming over the Bar of Dublin, as also for the making of a bason within the harbour:

Methods. "For the better understanding of my intended methods
Works. for the doing of the said works, it will first be necessary to say something of the natural cause and situation of the
Bar. Bar, and then shall proceed to lay down what I humbly
Port. offer for the general improvement of the port.

"It is my opinion that in the former ages of the world,
Ships. when only small coasting ships were of use, and this city
Metropolis. became the metropolis of the kingdom, there was then little or no Bar that could obstruct the entrance, and such
Depth. depth within the harbour that would have been sufficient for much larger built ships, which are now become necessary in the extended trade of the world.

"There are many instances of places where cattle have grazed and people lived, that in the course of time have
Sea been washed into the sea, and are now under water, and of places that have been famous for shipping, that by the
Merchants. growing inconveniencies of their harbour their merchants have declined, and their trade been lost to some other port:

"And by the particular observations which I have made, and the discourse which I have had with some old
Survey. men in this place when I made my first survey, I believe that in times past there was firm land going down from
Liffey the city on both sides of the Liffey much beyond Ringsend, if not as far as the present situation of the Bar, and that the same extended in breadth to the south-east, far beyond the remaining appearance of the sands now called
South Bull. the South Bull, which are partly dry at the low water,

and partly at the half ebb, so that ships which now ride 1721.
in Poolbeg and Salmon Pool, open and exposed to the Poolbeg. Salmon
extremity of weather (or that were more so before the Pool.
work was begun for the breaking off the force of the
waves which set over the said sands), then rode the whole
way secure and land-locked (as the sea term is for it)
within the bounds of the river:

"But by the constant force of the waves beating on Waves.
the shore, the land in the course of time has been so
insensibly washed and worn away, that from father to
son no remarks have been particularly made, or history
perhaps minded how much the same has worn in any one
century, part of which land has been still carried off into
the sea, and part, especially after the surface became worn Sea.
away, and the waves (at high water) began to break with
their full force over the same, has been washed into the
former course of the river, which is thereby become River.
shallow, and an open and distressed port, instead of its Port.
former safety, being creditably informed that there is
found within twenty years past less water where the Water.
ships now ride in Poolbegg, and had no doubt been long Poolbegg.
since quite choked up, had it not been for the outset of
the stream at the time of land floods upon the last part Land floods.
of the ebb, which still scours and maintains (in some
degree) the old track of the river until, forsaking the
foresaid banks or sands which are left dry at low water
a little way out in the sea, the stream spreads and loses Stream.
its force, and here the constant rolling in of the waves
meeting the current, the bank of sand called the Bar is Bar.
thrown up, from the end of the South to the North Bull,
quite athwart the entrance into the port.

"Here, therefore, where nature and time have lodged a
bank which the force of the stream can no farther remove, Bank.
and which, from the same natural cause, may with all
reason be suspected in the further course of time will
rather grow worse than better, unless some remedy be
found, I propose to make an artificial canal on a fair line Canal.

1721. with the common outset of the stream, right across the said bank or Bar, into deep water on the other side, to
Engine. work away the sands by an engine to be made for it, and
Chests. to fix triangular chests to be as a wall or wharf on each side of the canal; to reach or extend in length quite
Model. across the Bar, to be made according to the model I have ready to produce, to be loaded with stone intermixed
Cement. either with tarras or good lime, such, which I am informed, is made in this place, that will grow hard in the water (so as to have no interstices or hollow places left within the chests), and at the bottom of each chest to run from end to end two keels with sharp ridges as described by the model, for to settle down into the foundation of the canal, as well as to keep the chests fast, as to prevent the sands from sliding in underneath them from the sides of the canal, by the wash and motion of the water.

Chests. "The chests being thus fixed to the bottom of the
Canal. canal, to about four feet depth from the top of the bank or Bar, with only one edge or ridge lying upwards, the waves will slide gently over them, and time will not rot or decay them: And besides that, by means of the two keels fixed to the bottom of the chests as aforesaid, they will, as it were, be scarfed into as well as set upon the
Form. ground, being made in form as a prism, with the uppermost pieces of timber bound together, and resting upon both the sides; they will be of that sufficient strength when filled as before described, that no accidental power will, as I conceive, be able to hurt, much less ever to spoil or remove them.

"Whereas, works of this kind that have been endeavoured to contract the stream and force away the
Wharfs. Piers. sands by the carrying out of wharfs or piers above water, by the drift of piles, etc., are not only found to be very tedious and expensive in the making, and the force of the
Current. waves and outset of the current, when confined, being
Piles. apt to wear and undermine the piles in the practice of carrying them out, but also stand in need of continued

repairs, and after the utmost endeavours used, have been attended with very little or no success, for, as the sides of the river are lengthened out by piers, the Bar naturally shifts itself further out too; especially where the soundings are gradual a good way out in the sea before you come into deep water, as is usual before Bar places, and as is the misfortune at the port of Yarmouth, where they have laboured above forty years, and spent as many thousand pounds or more, and yet cannot be said to have gained half a foot better depth of water by it. 1721. River. Yarmouth. Works.

"The consideration of these things, and how much bad Bars, before many places that are looked upon to be without help, are detrimental to trade and unfortunate to ships and to men, put me upon thoughts of some more effectual method, that might require no great time nor charge in the performance, and stand in need of little or no repairs for ever; And the manner which I design to proceed in my said method is as follows: Bars. Ships. Men. Plan.

"First, I shall make two small chests, of the same form, and about half the length of the great chests, to be fixed with straps to the bottom for weighing them, and to be loaded with stone not so heavy but that it may be practicable to take them up again, and right athwart the bar where the canal is designed, to sink the two small chests at some distance parallel to each other, and by an engine on purpose fitted to the nature of the ground to work away the sands deep enough for placing down one of the great chests, which when done, to take up the two small chests again, and proceed in like manner to place down the other great chest, at the distance that is to form the other side of the main canal: which about eighty or a hundred fathom breadth will be enough for ships to run in with all winds that blow from the sea, and with any leading gale from the shore. Chests. Engine.

"And for the better convenience of which, beacons are to be placed for ships to run in by day, and lights to run in by night. The manner of fixing such beacons and Beacons. Lights.

1721. lights so as to be no great charge to be maintained, I am ready verbally to explain.

"The chests being thus placed down to form the sides, it will remain only to clear away the sands out of the Engine canal, by the use of such engine as aforesaid, which I propose to be done to about four feet better depth than there is at present; according to my writing delivered the 10th October, 1713.

"But perhaps it may be here doubted whether the Bulls. sands, either from the wash of the Bulls in manner as before treated of, or from the coming down of the land Bar. floods, or from the Bar itself, may not in time wash or settle into, and again fill up this made canal:

"To which I answer: First, that after the canal is fixed, I propose within the Bar, at the ends of the two great chests to sink the said two small chests, like wing wharfs spreading about a point or a point and a half of Concentration. the compass on each side, whereby to concentrate and Canal. gather the waters into the canal:

"Secondly, besides the help of the said small chests, Pressure. the pressure or weight of the water being (as is presumed) greater below than above the current when a canal is fixed, will of itself naturally draw and move out strongest in the deepest place, and the heaviest body of water (by the same rule) thrusting itself through the canal, cannot be supposed immediately to stop at the ends of the chests, but must be extended something further out, and spread to the right and left before it loses its force, and consequently will still scour and keep the canal clear; for it is reasonable to be supposed Sands. that whatsoever sands the stream thus carries out, which are not extended into deep water, will, by the meeting of the waves, be apt to be turned on each side of the chests into the eddy which will be there; at least it will be very improbable that they should ever so gather and Bank. lodge as to make and raise a new bank without the mouth of the canal, as in the case of carrying out the

piers; for as the common current will by the method I propose, still extend and have the same free passage over the bar, for the whole length of its situation as it has at present, so the sands will still be inclined to centre in the same place as now, and though it were doubted that some small matter of sands, sometimes in bad weather and upon the tide of flood, should be turned back, and perhaps settle into or lodge at the entrance of the canal, the tide of ebb with a superior force will still cleanse and drive them away again, and, by any slant wind upon the shore, be assisting in alternatively turning the drift to either side. 1721. Tide. Wind.

"And as to the sands from the main body of the bank or bar itself, it will not be probable that they should ever any way wear or wash in, to choke or fill up this made canal: For, first, such sands cannot be supposed to drive round from the body of the main bank or bar to enter in at the ends of the canal, and the chests are on purpose to be made to lie with the upper edge or ridge full as high as the height at which the Bar lies, or as near it as may be, thereby to prevent the sands from washing or wearing in over the top of the chests: And the force of the stream setting out stronger in the wake of the canal than any other place of the Bar (as before is observed) will not let the sands heap and lodge at the back of the chests, but will rather be apt to clear them from the out as well as from the insides of the chests. Sands. Canal.

"Secondly, the nature of the waves (let the wind be how it will) always rolling in direct upon the shore, coming on at the outward end, will run easy along the ridge of the chests, and never be inclined to wash the sands athwart or over them into the canal: Waves.

"And besides the bank or Bar of this port being a fast sort of sand, which by its situation is not inclined or known to shift like to other Bar places, therefore it is so much the more reasonable to be believed that such a made canal, fixed with the observed advantages for the Bar. Sand.

1721. assistance of the current, and guarded from the sliding in of the sands by a work that will be as a wall or wharf on each side, will always maintain and keep itself clear.

"Thus I have shown my humble opinion that such a work is practicable, and when once done (being allowed Timber. that timber does not decay under water) will in all probability hold good for thousands of years to come:

"And although at my first coming here in my writing to the city, dated the 10th October, 1713, I have only mentioned the deepening of the Bar four feet, by reason of its being a great way shallow within the Bar, yet if, as I have further offered in my said writing, it shall be Bason. thought good to have a bason made for the more safe and commodious entertainment of ships of burthen after they are over the Bar, the forementioned objections will still be the farther removed, and the Bar thereby (it is hoped) Depth. be brought to another foot better depth, for when the bason is penned up full with water, there may part of it be at any time borrowed upon the last quarter ebb, as shall be seen good (to be let off not with too much force), and when there shall be found occasion for it Engine. working with the forementioned engine to clear the sand, the stream that will be extended further into the Sluices. sea on the use of the sluices, may very well be depended on will assist in the performance of deepening the passage both going over and within the Bar:

"And such engine which is proposed, after the work of bettering the Bar is effected, may be kept for the use of the city, to deepen and clear away the sands in Poolbeg, Salmon Pool, Ballast. Poolbeg and Salmon Pool in the way to the bason, and the sand which shall be taken up, to serve for ballast for shipping that enter the port:

Trade of Dublin. "Next, whereas the general trade of the port is now carried on by small vessels from fifty to about a hundred tons built on purpose for lying on the ground with their Ships. burthens, few ships only which are of greater dimensions Poolbeg. riding below in Poolbeg, and the rest for want of room

and security, as the rise of the tide will admit (or sometimes by the use of lighters), run further up and lie partly above and partly below Ringsend, in places where the water every tide ebbs away from them : 1721. Tide. Ringsend.

" I shall, therefore, proceed to show that if the work I propose for making a bason be ordered, ships of at least two or three hundred tons, better built for sailing, by which they will be more secure, and by the greater tonnage more profitable in their voyages (with regard to the expense of wages, etc.), may then come directly up after they are over the Bar, lie always afloat, and lade and unlade their goods with safety and ease at the quays of the city : Bason. Ships. Tonnage. Lading. Quays.

" The only great and principal difficulty of doing which work, will consist in the fixing down the sluice to the needful depth required for ships to pass in and out of the bason, at neap as well as spring tides : Sluice. Depth.

" For effecting of which it will be proper to begin first and sink a dock or place for fixing down the foundation of the sluice, according to a draught which I have ready by me to explain ; which dock must be made so as to keep out both the force of the springs and the leakage from the pressure of the tides, until the foundation of the said work shall be wholly fixed and compleated : Dock. Draught. Springs.

" For the due performance of which I propose first to drive down a row of dovetailed piles all round the place for setting up the sluice, which having done and bound the heads of the said piles with land-ties as in the draught laid down, to keep them fast from settling or inclining inwards, then to proceed and dig down a dock for placing of the sluice, and the deeper such dock can be carried down below the low-water-mark, the deeper the sluice will be practicable to be placed, and consequently ships of the greater burthen with their lading, will be able to come in and out of the bason ; for if the sluice be once made deep enough, the deepening of the passage to and from the sluice will be no difficult task Piles. Sluice.

1721. to perform; the aforesaid piles are therefore to go with a dovetail into the sides of each other, for to shut tight as described in my draught, and to be driven down by an Engine. engine of considerable force, with their heads to be left two or three foot above the low-water-mark, which will be a sufficient height to secure the foundation:

Banks. "And for the keeping up of the banks on each side of the said dock, a slight wharf will be needful to be Tides. made to the full height of the greatest tides which may be apprehended to happen, and to leave a trunk in two or three separate places above the height of the low Leakage. water, for the discharge of the leakage, which in some measure, notwithstanding the utmost endeavours, may be expected upon the pressure of high tides:

"Thus, the sluice, by making first a sufficient dock, is to be fixed down to the best depth that can be obtained for it, and as the public shall be willing to be at the expense, whether for ships of greater or lesser depth of water:

"And it must be by the same method of driving down Piles. Dam. dovetailed piles that the foundation of the dam which is to be made from the sluice to the main land (at the place Bason. to be appointed for a bason) must be made tight and secured, so that the water may not find any passage underneath when raised to the height required in the bason; for the due effecting of which it will be necessary to proceed in the following manner, viz.:—

"First, the whole way in the middle of the dam to Piles. drive down a row of the aforesaid dovetail piles as far as they can well be driven into the ground, with their heads to be left above the low water the height before-mentioned, and as fast as the piles are drove down for Foundation. securing the foundation, to follow with a wall on each side made of stone and tarras near the foundation, and the upper part good mortar; leaving a space between the said walls as described in my draught, which space proposed is first to be rammed with clay about the

heads of the said piles, and then to be filled up with such other sort of good earth as is nearest at hand: 1721.

"Thus the dam will be effectually secured at the foundation, where the greatest pressure of water and leakage may otherwise be feared. The said piles lying constantly wet will not be subject to decay, and the walls or sides of the dam will require but very little expense to be kept in repair for ever:

"Likewise the floor of the sluice lying wholly under water will be entirely preserved from rotting, and the sides or wharfs built with good stone and fixed with tarras, at least to the low water mark (and good lime the rest), will continue to many ages with small occasion for repairs, only the gates and draw-doors lying neither wholly wet nor wholly dry, when they require it must be made new: Floor. Gates.

"It is likewise necessary in the making such dam, to have regard to fix the same to such a proper height as not to be liable to cause any rise of water in the low part of the town upon the coming down of the land floods, higher than what is now known in time of stormy weather; which I hear has been made an objection to the undertaking: Height. Objection.

"And as it is my opinion that the general and lasting advantages that will accrue to the public by the making of this bason are such, that no private consideration whatever ought to be put in competition with it, so I think it not amiss here to mention one thing more: Bason.

"Having had the honour a little before my coming from London to lay a plan of the harbour, with the propositions as here set forth, before some gentlemen of distinction and eminence in the direction of his majesty's naval affairs, they were pleased to express their apprehension that the taking in of the land above Ringsend in manner as is some part already done, and further carrying on to shut out the tides from flowing upon the low land, will by the consequence of lessening the quantity London. Dublin Harbour. Navy. Ringsend.

1721. of water setting in and out, tend to the choking up and spoiling that depth which is now in the harbour, in case of no bason being made, an instance of which has been Rye. lately at Rye:

Bason. "If, therefore, upon the respective points which I have thus offered to be considered, a bason shall be resolved on, I then propose that the low land on the Liffey. North side of the Liffey which has been lately divided Lots. into lots, and taken in hand to be recovered, may be purchased of the proprietors, and cut partly into canals, and partly by the earth which is dug out to be raised Ships. for the building of houses thereon, for ships to lie at the Amsterdam. quays like as in Amsterdam; which spaces of land being Canals. raised to a commodious height between the canals, is presumed when finished may be resold for as much as will pay a good part of the expense of digging the canals:

"Thus I have laid down my intentions as to all the main and most difficult parts of the works which are Proposed works. proposed. And as to such particulars which are not here Particulars. spoken of, namely, relating to the manner of building (in one or more lengths), of floating from the place where built, of carrying out and sinking the chests intended for fixing the sides of the canal upon the Bar, with the necessary engines to be used for removing the sand, as also the finishing and completing whatsoever relates to the making of a bason, not here set forth, Explanations. I am further ready verbally to explain and submit to such persons who shall be appointed to examine the same:

"I further think it proper on this occasion to mention Defects. the following observations of the defects of the work Sea. advanced for the breaking off the force of the sea setting South Bull. over the South Bull, which is likewise submitted to be examined and considered:

Observations. "First, that the work (or the general part of it) is built with an upright side, whereby the surge of the Waves. waves as they roll on with their velocity and swell high

on the outside, in the time of bad weather, strike with the greater weight and violence by the direct opposition to their force: 1721.

"Secondly, when the swell becomes higher on the one side than on the other (which every wave effects), the water drives both through and underneath the stones with which the work is filled; there having been no proper provision regarded to make the same tight, so that in many places the water has visibly cut and worn away the sand lower than when the works were first begun. As particularly it appears that the sands are washed away, and the water stands in a pool at the hither end of the work which is made over against Poolbeg, and in several other places along the side of the works, the sand lying apparently higher at some distance from than close to the foot of the works; and though in one or two places where the water has had less penetration underneath, there the sand has somewhat rather gained against the foot of the piles, yet at the further end of the work where the sea had had more power, the sand is considerably worn away, and as the work to be continued further out will require to be made to a greater depth, so the weight and shock of the waves setting direct upon the broadside thereof will increase their power, and be attended with the danger of the water still more and more undermining and ruining the same. especially by the new method lately taken, which is worse than the first; as being more liable for the water to bore and wash the sands from underneath the foundation.

Water. Poolbeg. Waves. New method.

"Thirdly, there is not only a great deal of iron used in fastening of the work carried out, which is well known is subject to be eaten with rust and decayed by the salt water; but the cross pieces and bandage of the work in general is made to such an unnecessary height above the neap-tides, that a great deal of timber is not only wasted thereby, but, by reason of the said fastening being too

Iron. Neap-tides.

1721. much out of the water, is certainly liable the sooner to decay.

"These several evils in the work which has been carried on, although it is in abundantly the easiest part of the situation to have been secured, yet will require repeated labour and expense to answer the service required, and will be impossible, in my opinion, further to carry out and maintain the same to the distance which is necessary into deeper water, unless some better method be taken for it, which has made me since my arrival apply my

Model thoughts to it, and have prepared a model of such work which I think will be proper and effectual to carry out a

Pier. South Bull. pier beyond the uttermost point of the South Bull, into about three or four foot depth at low water: it being, in my opinion, very requisite to be carried out to such a distance for the common good of the harbour. Also

Fort. at the end of such pier to have a small fort built with stone to command the passage going over the bar, if thought fit.—JOHN PERRY.

Dublin, October 7th, 1721."

VII.—2. 1721.—"An answer to objections against the making of a Bason: with reasons for the bettering of the Harbour of Dublin. By Captain John Perry.

"After having directions given me in the year 1713

Ballast Office. from the committee of the Ballast Office, who were appointed to treat with me at that time, that I should, in

Survey. the report of my survey then given them, bring in my estimate for the making of a Bason convenient for ships of twelve feet draught of water; but they declaring that they were not sufficiently empowered then to agree with me, the chair of the Mayoralty being vacant, in the month of August last I was prevailed upon by some members of parliament of worth and estates in this kingdom to come over hither again for the renewing my proposition; and a committee of the honourable house of Commons having been appointed on the 24th day of

October last to inspect the execution of the Ballast Office, and to consider whether the harbour of Dublin might be made more safe and commodious, I laid before the said committee a scheme for improving the said harbour, together with draughts and models to explain the methods of working, and estimates of the expense of every branch of the service. 1721. Estimates.

"The general reasons which my judgment and experience in works of this kind had suggested to me were printed and dispersed, to give opportunity to every man to form objections, if any were to be made. Reasons

"That committee met often and indulged every man to offer his thoughts for or against the scheme, or any part of it, and none being offered that I remember but what received a satisfactory answer, the committee made their report on Friday, the 10th day of November last, in which there were several resolutions all agreed to by the House; and thereupon it being ordered that heads of a bill should be brought in upon the said resolutions, and that a clause should be inserted to enable the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, and commons of the city of Dublin, from time to time to raise such sums, not exceeding £5,000, as should be necessary for carrying on the said works, by mortgage of the revenue of the Ballast Office or any part thereof. Committee. Report. Money. Ballast Office.

"Among the foremention ed resolutions agreed to by the House, there is one in these words: 'Resolved—That it is the opinion of this Committee, that the making a bason wherein ships may always lie afloat and secure, will be a great advantage to trade.' Then follows this resolution: 'That the method proposed by Captain John Perry for making such a bason is reasonable and practicable.' Resolutions. Bason.

"Since the late adjournment of the House of Commons, some gentlemen having been appointed by my Lord Mayor to discourse with me on the several points for the improvement of the harbour, and several objections Improvement of Harbour.

1721. Objections. having particularly arose against that part of my scheme relating to the making of a Bason, I therefore think it my indispensable duty to give some answer to those objections, that mankind may judge whether such bason will be of real advantage to the public, without being attended with any of those evils that are now apprehended from it. The great or principal reasonings which are brought against the making of a Bason, and from which the work is alleged to be impracticable, are as follows:

"First, that the keeping up of the water to such a Bason. height in a Bason as to be commodious for ships coming up at the neap tides, to lade and unlade their goods at Quays. the quays of the city, will be attended with the evil consequences of stagnating the water in the common Sewers. shores to the same height or level I propose this work to be done, and thereby, in the time of great rains and high tides, unavoidably overflow (more or less) the cellars and kitchens in all the low parts of the town on the north side Liffey. of the Liffey, a misery they now too often feel the effects of, partly from want of room in the common shores or receptacles for drinking up the rain water in the streets, and partly by the leakage from the mouths of such Tides. common shores when the tides in the Liffey swell to any considerable height, and when there happens any great rains as aforesaid.

"Secondly, that they are apprehensive that the penning Water. up the water would likewise be an annoyance to several of the streets and cellars on the south side of the Liffey, Mills. and the mill-wheels by Island-bridge and near the Horse Guard in Dames-street, be thereby stopped and hindered from working.

"Thirdly, that the rights of the proprietors to the lots North Strand. on the North Strand would be invaded by this new projected Bason, in case of the putting in practice the methods hereafter proposed for the obviating of the first objection.

"Fourthly, that the city have a lawsuit depending with sir John Eccles concerning the right of propriety to a space of ground extending from the westermost end of the new wharf or quay called Dublin Quay; which is the reason that the same is not continued and adjoined to the main land, and is very uncertain when such dispute at law will be decided. 1721. Sir John Eccles. Dublin Quay.

"Fifthly, that persons concerned in carrying on the trade of this city are very well contented with the make and size of the ships they now have, which are built on purpose to lie on the ground with their lading, and that they do not conceive how either such ships, or any other, though built of a better model and larger dimensions, can be of any such considerable advantage in the coming up to lie afloat in a Bason, as to be equivalent to the evil that is apprehended. Therefore, to each of the points objected, the following answers are humbly submitted to consideration: Trade. Ships. Bason.

"As first, to prevent the mischief of the annoyance of water on the north side of the Liffey, I propose a new common shore to be made all the way down upon the quay, parallel to the river, to extend from the common shore which is near Mr. Henry's, banker on Ormonde's quay, down to the North Strand, behind the end of the aforesaid Dublin quay. Such new shore I propose to be built with hewn stone and tarras at the outward end next the sea, and to be made with two doors, one within the other, so that if an accident of any stick or chip should get between the rabbits of the one, the other may not fail to shut tight; as also to be made with two mouths, that when time shall by salt water so decay the hinges of the one as to require repair, the other may answer the service. Common sewer. North Strand.

"This new common shore, which will extend about 156 perch in length, Irish measure, I propose to be made equal with the bottoms of the other great shores, which, although the mouth of the biggest of them (which I take to be that

1721. Jervis street. in Jervis-street) is but about two feet one way and one foot the other, fixed with a small flap thereto for keeping out the tides, yet I am informed that the depth of the same Sewers. is between five and six feet, and breadth proportionable, being made of such dimensions, hollow underneath several streets, on purpose to be a receptacle for the rain water, but often is more than filled, either with the rains, Tides. or the addition of leakage upon high tides, by the mouths of the same shores in one place or other. so that the kitchens and cellars which are frequently annoyed, I am Water. informed, does not at all happen from the water swelling over the quays and running in at the tops of the cellars in the streets, but by the deficiency of room in the receptacles, and by the mouths of them not being tight. Therefore, this common evil, in my opinion, is highly deserving some remedy.

Common sewer. "This new receptacle or common shore which I propose, will carry with it (in the length aforesaid) the additional convenience of containing about fourteen hundred and fifty tuns more water than there is now any provision Rains. made for. Should a greater quantity of rains hereafter fall, and higher tides happen to rise in the Liffey than was ever known in the memory of man, the objection above stated, if not hereby effectually removed, yet at least so much water as this new provision will contain will be an undeniable relief in respect to room, and the mouth of such receptacle being well secured against suspicion of leakage, the mouths of the present shores may be wholly shut up, by which so much mischief has been known in part to arise.

"In proceeding to make this work, I propose it to be begun at the outward end, and, as the ground is opened from place to place in carrying on the same, to ram the whole length with clay in the filling the earth in again, so as to prevent any soaking of water into any of the front Cellars. cellars which lie low; and at those places where the present common shores fall into the new, I propose to shut up

the passage to the river in carrying on the work, and ram the wharves with clay, to be secure from all leakage. 1721. Wharves.

"The charge of the performance of this work for the length of 156 perch aforesaid, according to the best information I can get of the price of materials and labour, will amount to £4 per perch, which will make the whole expense to be £624. Which way money may be found for such a work, whether to be brought into the charge of the Bason, or to be raised by the inhabitants, is not my business to treat of; but submit it to consideration whether to be entirely freed for the future from the stagnation and annoyance of water, which hath hitherto been amongst so many buildings on this side the Liffey, would not be worthy the expense of this remedy, although there were no occasion for any bason ever to be made. Materials. Labour. Cost. Bason.

"Secondly, as to the objections mentioned on the north side of the Liffey, in my estimate of the expense of a Bason which I laid before the honourable committee of the House of Commons, I did not propose the building of the dam to any greater height than the common neap tides for ships that draw only about ten feet to come up with their lading, thereby to avoid any annoyance of water in any low parts of the town, until the effect should be seen of keeping it to that height, and as proper remedies should be found to prevent the waters coming into any cellars or kitchens, then to raise the same higher at leisure, as the city should see fit; and in order to enable them so to do, I proposed the sluice in the meantime to be made of height sufficient for the penning up fourteen or fifteen feet depth of water in the Bason whenever required. North side of Liffey. Dam. Sluice.

"Now, if the dam accordingly be at the first made only to keep up the water to the aforesaid gauge, which, that I may be the better understood, I compute to be at five feet below the front of the Custom House quay (the yard lying with a descent somewhat higher) finding, as I have Custom House Quay.

1721. lately sounded the river, that with a very little labour of gabbards in some particular shallow places, such ships as aforesaid, when a sluice is fixed and the shallow place a Ringsend little below the point of Ringsend deepened, may at neap tides, although the water should not flow so high without as within the Bason, pass the sluice with their ladings, and come directly up to the quays; and at those tides which rise higher than the dam or wall of the Bason, then larger ships may come up and be likewise ten feet water born when the tide ebbs off below the Bason, which, although no more water were penned up, will be of considerable ease to any larger ship.

"Besides, there are several deep places between Essex Water. Bridge and Ringsend, where the water is at least of fourteen feet depth below the said level of five feet from Custom House Quay. the top of the Custom House quay; but if the remedy before proposed be performed for preventing any annoyance of water on the north side of the Liffey, it will then be practicable for the water to be kept up at Bason. least a foot or two higher in the Bason without the sixth part of the detriment to any of the cellars or kitchens on the south side as is apprehended on the north, and which, I believe, may be in a great measure remedied for Expense. as little proportion in the expense; for there is but a very Streets. little part of any common shore underneath any street on the south side that lies lower than the surface of the water proposed to be penned up, and but one place that I could find, upon my going in a boat, that has any flap fixed to the mouth of any common shore, which is at the end of Lee's-lane, and which may be easily raised so as to be sufficient to discharge, if not all, yet the greater part Rain water of whatsoever rain water may happen, as well as those by the rise of any tides.

"And for such annoyance of water which any low Great Tides. parts are now affected with, upon the rise of great tides, a Bason will not in the least augment the present evil, and they must either be at the charge to make a security

to keep out the water, or have recourse to the present method of discharging it on like occasions. 1721.

"Next, as to what has been mentioned of the apprehensions of stagnating the land-floods in rainy weather in the great shore that comes down from the mill in Dames-street, by the penning up of the water in the Bason, I shall first observe that the said land floods are never stagnated by means of the greatest storms and tides any further than the tail of the said mill, Dames-street lying several feet higher than ever any tide was known to rise, and all land floods which came down by this shore, notwithstanding any pen of water in the Bason, will be equally as free in the discharge of them for the future as at present, for the top of the arch of that shore being equal with the front of the Custom House quay, or very near it, and the greatest height of water before proposed to be penned up in the Bason being not so high as that quay by at least three feet, a body or column of water coming down with a descent from the tail of the mill will set out through the area of the arch in the same breadth and depth as is now usual upon the land-floods.

Land floods. Dame street. Mill. Custom House Quay. Height.

"Likewise, as to the forementioned apprehension of the mill being stagnated and deprived from working by means of a Bason, I have been informed, upon my inquiry at the mill, that they are not now prevented from working but at spring tides and stormy weather, and often are not at all prevented, even at spring tides. And the same account I have likewise had at the mill at Island-bridge, they each of them having in common prudence had regard to the fixing their wheels, so as not to be prevented from working, but as aforesaid; and thereby it follows that the height which I propose to keep up the water will not at all be any hindrance to them.

Mill. Island Bridge.

"And the reasons which are before shown, relating to the discharge of the rain waters coming down by way of the aforesaid great shore, will carry the same demonstration also relating to the rain waters and rivulet called

Great shore.

1721. Coleman's Brook, discharged into the Liffey by the mouth of the great shore on Merchant's-quay, and the great shore on the other side by which the Brodoge rivulet is discharged; for the heads of each of these shores lying considerably higher than the surface of the Bason, the waters, when set in motion by a descent, were the same but a very small difference of level, will find their free passage and keep their velocity into the Bason, until the current immediately without the mouth of such common shores will there spread and lose its force, like that of a river discharged into the sea; and there being no doors or gates fixed to either of them, I take to be an evidence that the greatest tides, which often happen to rise several feet above what I propose, the penning up of the Bason does them no harm, for if it did it would naturally have obliged them to think of some remedy.

Coleman's Brook.

Brodoge rivulet

Bason.

"Likewise, finding that there are no flaps fixed to keep out the tides to any of the small shores above or westward from the mouth of the said shore, near Mr. Henry's, is the reason why I have not proposed a new shore on the north side of the Liffey to extend any further than the said place.

Small sewers.

"Thirdly, as to the detriment apprehended to the proprietors of the Lots on the North Strand, by the discharge of the common shore through their ground, as is before proposed, I cannot reckon this objection to be of any considerable force at the present; but when the time shall come that the tide shall be shut out by the inclosing of the walls or dam which are now making round the said Lots, which, perhaps, may not be till some time after the work of the Bason, if taken in hand, shall come to be finished, I humbly conceive that then when such common shore shall be found necessary to be further extended quite through the said Lots, the same may be carried through some of the streets intended, but will, wherever it is carried, be so far from being an annoyance, that it will deliver them from the same inconveniences that are

North Strand.

Lots.

Intended streets.

now felt higher up on the same side of the water, with but very little addition to the necessary expense they will otherwise be obliged to in making ordinary common shores, if they design any buildings there. 1721.

"Fourthly, as to that part of the said North Strand, at the westermost end of the new quay intended, now in dispute between the city and sir John Eccles, I make no doubt but that will be amicably decided, and in the meantime, while the property of that ground is yet undetermined, it is reasonable to hope that neither of the contending parties will refuse their consent to the carrying on so public a work. North Strand. Sir John Eccles. Dispute.

"As to the fifth and last objection which is stated relating to the benefit and advantage to the city and country adjacent proposed by a bason, although I know I am very unequal to the task of speaking to this point in such manner as so extensive a subject requires, yet I will humbly observe these following things: Advantage of Bason.

"First, if it be true that a ship of fifty or of a hundred tuns, built of the same model or mould and proportion of masts and sails, requires two-thirds of the same hands and wages of men to sail her as a ship of double the same burthen, as is generally computed as far as I have ever understood, and if then all goods, as in the freightage of coals or otherwise, must be delivered so much the dearer to this or any other port, must not the same be felt either in the profit to the merchant or to every individual purchaser in the retail of such goods? As, for example, if twelve men in a ship of one hundred tuns must make two voyages to bring two hundred tuns of coals, or can bring eight hundred tuns by the making of eight voyages in a year; and if each man's victualling and wages stands the merchant in forty shillings per voyage one voyage with another, then the expense in this article in one year will be, in the earnings of such ship, £192. Again, a ship of two hundred tuns sailed by sixteen men making eight voyages, will bring twice the Ships. Example.

1721. quantity of coals, and the expense of wages and victuals, at forty shillings per man per voyage, be in one year but £256, besides the difference in wear and tear; it is then plain that in this single article a ship of two hundred tuns will gain £128 more in one year than two ships gain at a hundred tuns each.

"If, then, a sluice be fixed to three or four feet depth below the low water mark, or better, if it can be obtained for large ships to come directly up and lie always afloat, will not a Bason then be necessary? for if it be computed Coals. that the whole quantity of coals expended in the city of Dublin. Dublin in one year, and places adjacent, do amount to fifty thousand tuns, were they supposed to be delivered by larger ships, would there not then be the sum of Expense. £4,000 per annum less expense in the bringing of them, and must not either the merchant have this profit in his pocket, or the people buy their coals so much the cheaper, or part one and part the other? And will not this argument hold good in a like proportion, if I am right in this calculation touching the much smaller vessels which are now generally employed in bringing of coals, and in the case of all other goods brought into this city whatsoever?

Construction of ships. "Secondly, if ships built on purpose to lie on the ground do require, in proportion to their bigness, greater dimensions and weight of timber and iron work in them to make them stronger than sharp built ships are made, will not there both be more money required to build ships of such strength, and will they not be more heavy in sailing and less expeditious in their voyages, as being more liable to be driven to lee-ward by contrary winds? Is not this another disadvantage to the trade of this place, and do not all nations esteem it a most valuable advantage, if they have opportunity of keeping their ships afloat when laden?

Lading. Unlading. "Thirdly, do not ships now pay two shillings per tun Poolbeg Salmon Pool. gabbaridge for the goods they now lade and unlade in Clontarf. Poolbeg, and in Salmon Pool and Clantarf Pool fifteen

pence; besides, as to the gabbards, are they not heavily built for the same necessity of lying on the ground with their burdens, and are sometimes driven on the shore, and the goods in them spoiled or lost, and other times embezzled. And are not, likewise, ships from Poolbeg often driven on the North Bull, and all these things an immediate deduction out of the merchant's profit; and will it not be allowed that all manner of goods by these circumstances become dearer in the retail, and, therefore, worthy of consideration to have ships come directly from the sea into a Bason, where they may lie in the greatest safety, from weather and from an enemy, as well as with the greatest ease transport themselves from one place to another at all times of the day, and deliver their goods directly out of their ships at the quays of the city, or at least the greatest part of them; and for such coals or other goods that there may be occasion to be carried by lighters anywhere from Island Bridge to Ringsend, to any particular house or place, may it not be presumed that proper small gabbards, or boats without decks, will in time be built for such service, which, as they will not need any defence against the sea, or to lie at all on the ground with their burdens, may they not be made so much the cheaper, and when in a still water, where they will not be hindered by any flux or reflux of the tides or weather (unless when great land floods happen, which may sometimes make the passage difficult through the bridges), and which, too, may be rendered easy by small captains fixed for it?

1721. Poolbeg. North Bull. Bason. Island Bridge. Ringsend. Tides.

"Will not such vessels that will be able to transport goods with less men and in less time, with vessels cheaper built, and less occasion for ground tackle, be better paid if they receive after the rate of sixpence per ton, or a groat, than they are now paid when they receive two shillings or fifteen pence, and be found in the extensive and grand article of the price of coals, as well as in what has been before observed?

Transport of goods. Rates.

1721. "If each of these respective points laid down be true, will not the consequences follow both of having all goods
Prices of goods. by sea come cheaper in to the port, and be purchased so by every inhabitant, and all goods, the produce of the country, sold for exportation bear a better price when the harbour is mended? Will not, then, the advantages in two or three years' time, when ships will find the benefit of a Bason, be more than will pay the cost of it, the charge of making the common shores beforementioned included?

"Have not the people by voluntary subscription raised
Liverpool. money to build a dock or Bason at Liverpool, to be repaid with interest by a duty on ships that come into the Bason? And does not that town feel the benefit of it,
Chester. and the trade of Chester decline? And are there not other influences in the world that bear the same evidence of the increase or disadvantages to trade from the same
Bar. causes? Shall not the Bar and the rage of the waves
South Bull. of the sea setting over the South Bull be considered as a
London. detriment to this place? Do not ships from London contract for five shillings per tun more to this port than
Cork to Cork, and hard to persuade them to come hither at all by reason of the distresses of the port? Is it not a
Seamen. discouraging thing for seamen to consider that when they have a hard gale of wind with a lee shore, if they are jealous of being half-an-hour too late when they arrive near upon the coast, they must beat to wind-ward perhaps eight or ten hours before they dare attempt to put over the Bar, or be driven upon the shore when their
Large ships. anchors will not hold them? And are not some large ships obliged sometimes to lie several days in the bay
Bar. to lighten, before they can come at all over the Bar? And is it not known that ships are frequently driven from their anchors, and others knock their bottoms out even in the places where they lie within the harbour, as
Danish ship. I have, since I came here, seen an instance of a Danish ship, that had a hole cut in her to sink her by Mr. Adare, a carpenter at Ringsend, to prevent her bottom being

knocked out in Salmon Pool? Do not ships from Holland and other places make these things an article in the estimate of their voyages, and will be paid for it, or are they not more glad of a haven of rest and safety? 1721. Holland.

"If I might humbly offer, therefore, one thing with regard to the respective works I have proposed, would not ships—to have a better depth at the entrance of the port; to be freed from lying aground with their burthens; freed in a great measure from the expenses of gabbaridge; freed from the injuries of wind and weather, the danger of being driven on the shore, and the common wear and tear of their ground tackle—better afford to pay sixpence per tun for coming into a Bason for a certain term of years, than to be under the difficulties and expense they are now at for ever; and will not such an additional sum coming in to be added to the present duties that may be appropriated from the Ballast Office towards the carrying on the works proposed, be a fund sufficient to raise immediate money by subscription, as at Liverpool, both for the making of a Bason, the deepening the Bar, and the carrying out an effectual work for breaking off the sea on the South Bull to the distance which I have proposed, and this duty then to cease, unless some thought may be taken to make some allowance to the owners of the extra gabbards, and provision for the men to be brought into some other way of business? Ballast Office. Bar. South Bull.

"If gentlemen will consider this, and the city will recommend it to the great assembly of the nation, may not an Act be obtained for it? And if found acceptable, no care, I am sure, shall be wanting on my part to have the honour of being an instrument in performing so eminent a service, that will carry with it all human probability of benefit to this capital for ever. Dublin.

"One thing more I think it my duty to mention on this occasion is, that the harbour of Rye, at the time of the Beachy fight,[1] was a place where one of the king's Rye. Beachy fight.

[1] On 10 July, 1690.

1721. second rate ships of war put into when she was very much shattered, and was preserved from falling into the hands of the enemy. But there having been some few years since some land walled in from the sea, within the mouth of the harbour, the strength of the current setting in and out being diminished, that port is thereby become very much choked up.

"Another instance is this, that about thirty years since, or less, some proprietors of land overflowed by the
Tinmouth. tide within the mouth of Tinmouth Haven or Bar, set
Sea. hands to work to wall out the sea for the recovery of
Newcastle. such land. Upon which, the town of Newcastle, jealous of any detriment that might happen to lessen the depth on the Bar and in the harbour, sent to forbid the proceeding, and, upon the refusal of the proprietors to desist, sent forth a mob, who ruined and tore down the works, whereupon a lawsuit was commenced, and the judges
Preservation of port determined that the regard to the preservation of the port was superior to any of the pretensions made by the said proprietors.

"I would only ask this question hereupon, that if the
Liffey. taking in of the land on each side of the Liffey, down as
Ringsend. far as Ringsend, will cause a less quantity of water to set in and out of this port every tide, will not the
Current. strength of the current be thereby diminished, and consequently the depth, both upon the Bar and in the way
Bar. between the Bar and Ringsend, in all probability be
Bason. lessened in a course of years, unless a bason be made by which to scour the harbour?

"And if the work that is now carried on upon the South Bull has been done with real want of judgment equal to such a task, by which the sand (or ground), instead of being preserved, has been torn away into Poolbeg to at least six or seven feet greater depth at the outward end than when the work was first begun, and for a good length this way, where the late invented
Frames. frames have been sunk with a free passage for the weight

of every wave to gush underneath and through them, is it possible for men so unskilled to go any further without the like evil effects? And if that work be not proceeded on in a more judicious manner, will not whatsoever sands are driven into Poolbeg, when the current shall be diminished, be the more liable either to settle there or upon the Bar, is a point in my thoughts which deserves especial consideration, at least not to render the harbour in a worse state than it now is. 1721. Waves. Bar.

"I hope that no gentleman will think I have writ this discourse out of any busy solicitation for employment, covetousness of gain to myself, or other motive distinct from the public good of this place. For, first, I can with great truth affirm that I had other offers made to me to be employed in an affair of reputation and importance in a foreign country, which I declined upon persuasion that my service would meet with acceptance here, where I had much rather it should be found useful: besides, 'tis sufficiently known that I have not gone about to stipulate any conditions at all for myself since my last coming over, but have declared my intentions entirely to leave the consideration of any reward that I may be deemed worthy of in this kingdom until the works I have proposed should be performed, having found a greater recompense for the service I did lately in England than I either solicited or expected. Perry's views.

"But, on the other hand, if it should not at present be thought fit to employ me to do anything which I have proposed here, yet I humbly hope that since my proposals have been deemed both advantageous and practicable by the honourable House of Commons, I may be defrayed the expense which I have been at in my journey hither.

"I hope, too, that as it will be honourable to me, so it will not be thought unreasonable in itself, if I am allowed some further consideration either for my time,

1721. which, to me, is the most valuable thing in the world, or for the methods laid before the committee, for which

House of Commons. the House were pleased to do me the honour to think me deserving encouragement, as appears from their resolutions of the tenth of November last, in these words: 'Resolved, that it is the opinion of this committee that Captain John Perry, for the said several methods by him proposed to this committee, deserves all fitting encouragement.' I only mention this, and leave it to take its fortune.

"Some affairs of my own which are of consequence to me pressing my return to London, I shall go from hence in a few days; but I thought it first incumbent upon me to free the propositions which I have made, from being in any wise misunderstood or aspersed."

"Dublin, December 6th, 1721.—JOHN PERRY."

VIII.

DUBLIN DECLARATIONS AGAINST WOOD'S COINAGE, 1724.

1724. Dublin bankers and dealers in exchange. 1.—"We, the subscribers hereof, bankers and dealers in exchange in the city of Dublin, do hereby unanimously declare and agree that we will neither receive or utter in any receipt or payment of money on any account whatever, any of the halfpence or farthings coined by William Wood, not being obliged thereto by his majesty's letters patent to the said William Wood or by law; and as we conceive the uttering of the said halfpence and farthings will be highly prejudicial to his majesty's revenue and to the trade of this kingdom.—Dublin, 15 August, 1724:

"Benjamin Burton and Francis Harrison.—Hugh Henry and Ephraim Dawson.—James Swift and Company.—Joseph Fade.—Meade and Curtis.—David Latouche and Nathaniel Kane.—Richard and William M'Guire.—Joseph Nuttal."

2. "We, the masters, wardens and brethren of the Holy Trinity Guild of Merchants of the City of Dublin, do hereby unanimously declare and agree that we will neither directly or indirectly import, receive, or utter any of the halfpence or farthings coined by William Wood, esquire, not being obliged thereto by law; and being fully convinced that the uttering of the said halfpence and farthings will be highly prejudicial to his majesty's revenue, and entirely destructive of and ruinous to the trade of this kingdom. 1724. Dublin Guild of merchants.

"And we do further declare that his most sacred majesty's interest in the prosperity and welfare of this kingdom are the only motives that have induced us to make and sign this declaration.

"Dated at the said Guild Hall, the 18th of August, 1724.

"James Somervell, Nathaniel Kane, Masters.

"Philip Pearson, David Tew, Wardens."

IX.

PROCLAMATION FOR DISCOVERY OF "M. B. DRAPIER," 1724.

"By the Lord Lieutenant and Council of Ireland.

"Carteret.—Whereas a wicked and malicious pamphlet, intituled a Letter to the whole people of Ireland by M. B. Drapier, author of the Letter to the shopkeepers, etc., printed by John Harding, in Molesworth's court, in Fishamble street, Dublin, in which are contained several seditious and scandalous paragraphs highly reflecting upon his majesty and his ministers, tending to alienate the affections of his good subjects of England and Ireland from each other, and to promote sedition among the people, hath been lately printed and published in this kingdom. Letter by "M. B. Drapier."

"We, the lord lieutenant and council, do hereby publish and declare, that in order to discover the author

1724. Reward. of the said seditious pamphlet, we will give the necessary orders for the payment of three hundred pounds, sterling, to such person or persons as shall within the space of six months from the date hereof discover the author of the said pamphlet, so as he be apprehended and convicted thereof.

"Given at the Council Chamber in Dublin, this twenty-seventh day of October, 1724.

"Midleton, Canc.—Shannon.—Doneraile.—G. Forbes.—H. Meath.—Santry.—Tyrawly.—Ferrard.—William Conolly.—Ralph Gore.—William Whitshed.—B. Hale.—Gustavus Hume.—Benjamin Parry.—James Tynte.—R. Tighe.—T. Clutterbuck."

X.

Prohibition of trade between Ireland and English Plantations in America, Asia and Africa.[1]

Memorial from Dublin Guild of Merchants.

Memorial from Dublin Guild of merchants. 1. [1729.]—"To his excellency John Lord Carteret, Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of Ireland:—The memorial of the masters, wardens and brethren of Trinity Guild, in behalf of themselves and the rest of the merchants and traders of this kingdom:

"Humbly representeth: That by an act of parliament made in England, 12 Charles II.,[2] cap. 18, entitled an 'act for encouraging and increasing of shipping and navigation,' it is enacted that from and after the first of April, 1661, no sugar, tobacco, cotton, wool, indigo, ginger, fustick, or other dying wood of the growth, production, or manufacture of any English Plantations in America, Asia or Africa, shall be shipped, conveyed, or carried to any place whatsoever, other than to such English Plantations as do belong to his majesty, his heirs or successors, or to the kingdom of England or Ireland,

English Plantations in America, Asia, Africa.

[1] *See* Preface and p. 447.

[2] A.D. 1660-61.

or principality of Wales, or town of Berwick upon Tweed, under certain penalties in the same act: 1724.

"By an English statute, 15 Charles II.,[1] cap. 7, entitled an 'act for the encouragement of trade,' and by another English statute, 22 and 23 Charles II.,[2] cap. 27, entitled an 'act to prevent the planting of tobacco in England, and regulating the Plantation trade,' which last statute has been continued in several following reigns, the importation of the goods enumerated in the said statute of 12 Charles II. into Ireland is expressly prohibited, and no other goods, so that notwithstanding the said two restraining acts, it remained lawful to import into Ireland another sort of goods of the said Plantations except the goods enumerated in the said several acts. Tobacco. Goods.

"By a clause in an English statute, 7 and 8 William III.,[3] cap. 22, entitled an 'act for preventing frauds and regulating abuses in the Plantation trade,' it is enacted that from and after the first of December, 1696, it shall not be lawful on any pretence whatsoever to put on shore in Ireland any goods or merchandizes of the growth or product of any of his majesty's Plantations aforesaid under certain penalties in the said act, which words of the act being general (any goods or merchandize); the people of Ireland have, since commencement of the said act, been forced to send to foreign markets for several goods not enumerated, namely, timber, staves, hoops, pitch, tar, oil, planks, rum, and several others, which otherwise they would bring from the said Plantations in America, which proves manifest great loss to the said Plantations and a great inconvenience to the trade of this kingdom. Penalties. Goods.

"Though your memorialists humbly conceive that the said statute of 7 and 8 William III. may be reasonably construed to prohibit no other goods than those enumerated in the said former statutes, and your memorialists apprehend it was not the intent of the legislature to lay greater William III.

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[1] A.D. 1662-4. [2] 1669-71. [3] A.D. 1694-96.

1729 hardships on this kingdom than on any other nation, since it can be no greater prejudice to Great Britain to export these goods to Ireland than to any other part, the duty of four per cent. to the crown, payable on exportation, being the same if brought to Ireland as to any other kingdom:

Duty. Exportation.

"That these and many other reasons that might be urged make it evident to your memorialists that the opening of commerce between Ireland and the said Plantations in America for the goods not enumerated will greatly contribute to the good of his majesty's subjects in the said Plantations, and to the advantage of the trade in this kingdom, without the least detriment or obstruction to the commerce of Great Britain.

"May it therefore please your excellency to take the premises into consideration, and in regard it appears a manifest loss to the English Plantations, and consequently a prejudice to Great Britain, that such restraints should be put on the trade of Ireland, your excellency will be pleased to lay the case of his majesty's trading subjects in Ireland before his majesty, in order that an act of parliament or some other means may be obtained for an intercourse with the said Plantations in America for all goods and merchandise, except those enumerated in the said several statutes.

Trade of Ireland.

"William Philpott, William Walker, Masters.
"Edward Hunt, Francis M'Manus, Wardens."

2. To the Duke of Newcastle, from Lord Carteret, Viceroy of Ireland.

"Dublin Castle, 23 February, 1729[-30].

1729[-30]. "My Lord,—The company of merchants and traders in this city have laid before me a memorial in behalf of themselves and the rest of the merchants and traders of this kingdom, setting forth that by an act of parliament made in England, 12 Charles II., for encouraging and

Act of Parliament in England.

increasing of shipping and navigation, it is enacted that no sugar, tobacco, wool, cotton, indigo, ginger, fustic or other dyeing wood of the growth, product, or manufacture of the English Plantations in America, etc., shall be carried to any place whatsoever other than to such Plantations as do belong to his majesty or to the kingdoms of England and Ireland, etc., under certain penalties in the said act: 1729[-30].

"That 15, 22 and 23 of Charles II., two statutes passed in England, the first entitled an 'act for the encouragement of trade,' the other, 'to prevent planting of tobacco in England or Ireland,' by which the goods enumerated in the said act of 12 Charles II., for increasing shipping and navigation, are severely prohibited to be brought to Ireland, and no other goods were prohibited by the said acts except those enumerated, so that under these two acts it remained lawful to import into Ireland all species of goods of the said Plantations except those enumerated: English statutes. Prohibition.

"That by a clause in another statute made in England, 7 and 8 William III., entitled an 'act for preventing frauds and regulating abuses in the Plantation trade,' it is enacted that no goods of the growth or product of his majesty's Plantations shall be put on shore in Ireland upon any pretence whatsoever, the words goods and merchandize being general; the merchants of Ireland have, since the commencement of the said act, sent to foreign markets for several goods not enumerated, namely, timber, staves, hoops, pitch, tar, oil, plank, rum, etc., which otherwise they would bring from the Plantations, and seems to be a loss to the Plantations and an inconvenience to this kingdom: William III. Goods.

"This last statute, they conceive, may reasonably be construed to prohibit no other goods than those enumerated in the statute of the twelfth of Charles II., and therefore apprehend it was not the intent of parliament in England to lay greater restraints on this kingdom than on any other nation, since the revenue of Construction of statute.

1729[-30]. the crown of Great Britain will not be lessened by such importation into Ireland, the duty of four per cent. in the Plantations being the same upon goods exported from them to Ireland as to any other country:

Commerce. Ireland. American Plantations.

"For these and many other reasons they allege that it is evident that commerce between Ireland and the American Plantations for goods not enumerated will greatly contribute to the benefit of his majesty's subjects in Ireland and the said Plantations, without detriment to the commerce of Great Britain:

Prohibition of importation.

"I have inquired into the several particulars, and I find the acts of parliament are as recited, and that the merchants are not admitted to import directly any goods of the product of his majesty's Plantations by the construction of the said act of 7 and 8 William III., so that they send to foreign markets for Plantation commodities without forfeiture upon paying certain duties, so that at present Ireland is under a necessity of trading with the French Plantations and those of other nations to procure the commodities which are prohibited from being imported from the British Plantations:

French Plantations.

Case of merchants in Ireland.

"They have requested me to lay their case before his majesty, in order that an act of parliament may be obtained, in order to enable the traders of this kingdom to import all goods and merchandize, except those enumerated in the said statute of the 12th of Charles II.:

"All which I humbly submit to his majesty's consideration.

"I am, my lord, with the greatest truth and respect, your Grace's most obedient and most humble servant,

"CARTERET."

END OF VOL. VII.

ILLUSTRATIONS.

II.

A MAP
of ye Strand & ye North side of ye Channel of ye River
ANNA LIFFE as it was granted
and set out in Exact Assembly 1717 by ye Rt Honourable
Thomas Bolton Esqr LORD MAYOR of the City of
DUBLIN William Empson and
David King Esqrs Sherriffs of the said City
and the Deeds and this Map perfected in the Mayoralty
of Rt Hono.ble Anthony Barkey Esq Lord Mayor
John Reyson & Vincent Ridder Esqr Sherriffs
Holy brooke
Common
Part of Clontarff Pool
for the Ward
Clontarff
Island
Channell
The
Corner of mallet walk
Red house
Ring's End
S.r John Rogerson's Strand

Map of the Strand on the North Side of the Channel of the Liffey, A.D. 1717.

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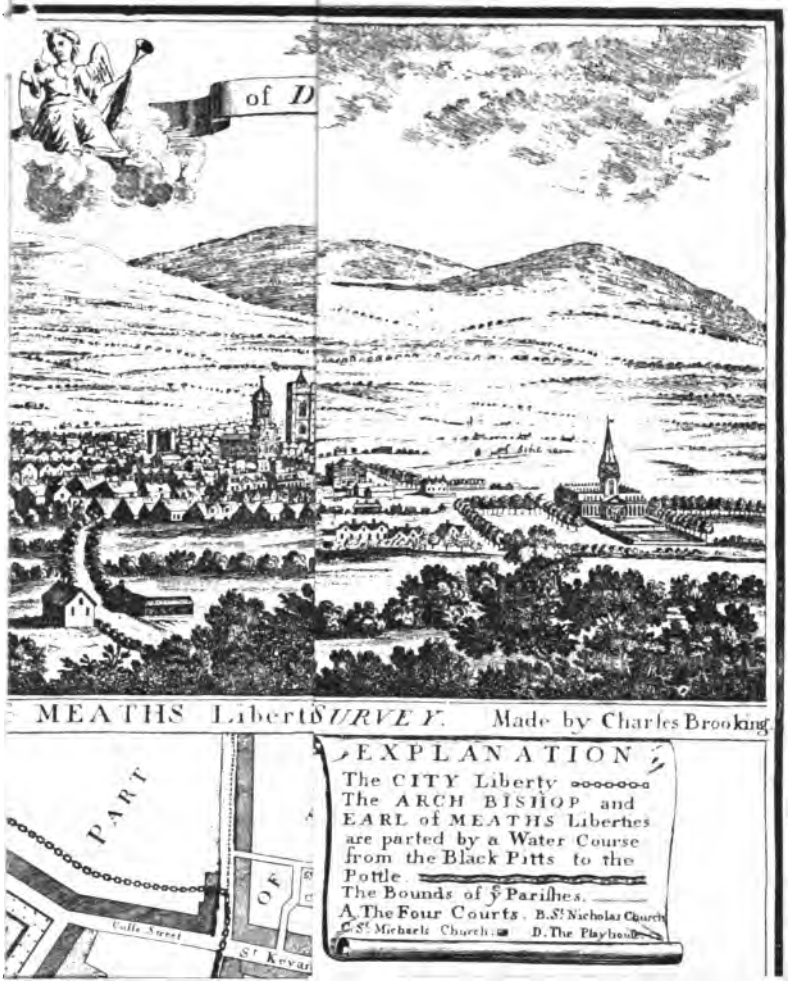
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The Bounds of ye Parishes.
A. The Four Courts. B. St Nicholas Church
C. St Michaels Church. D. The Playhouse

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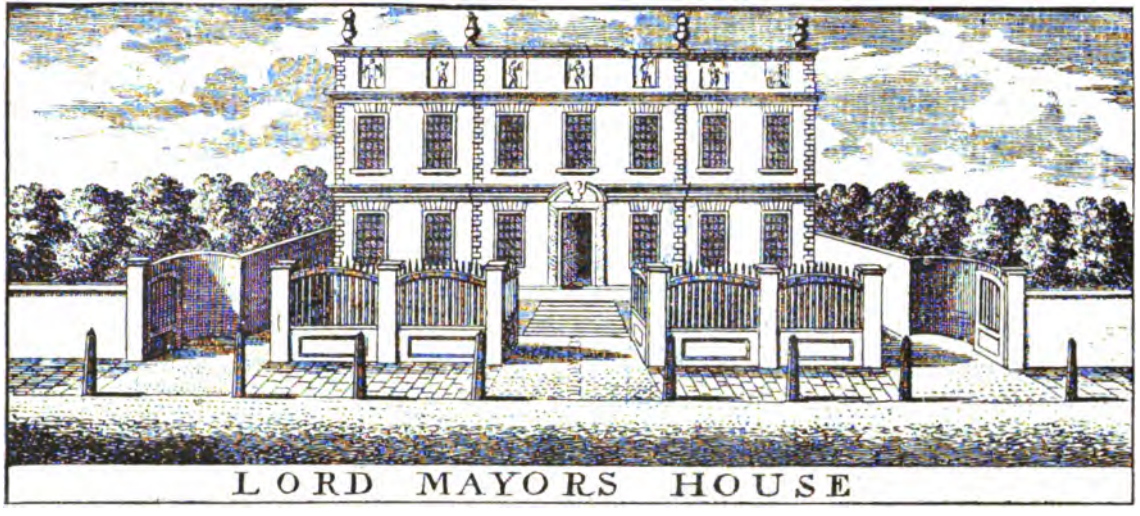

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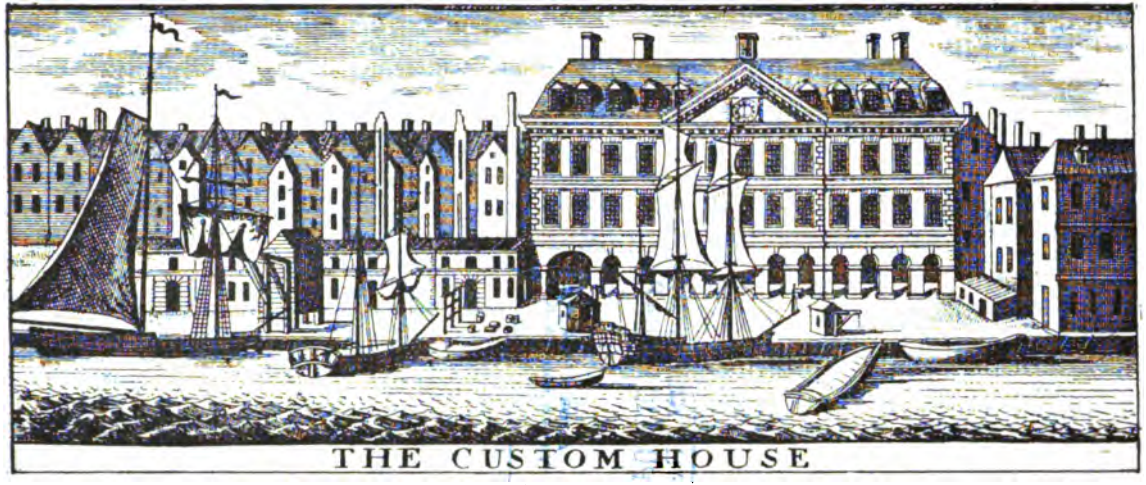

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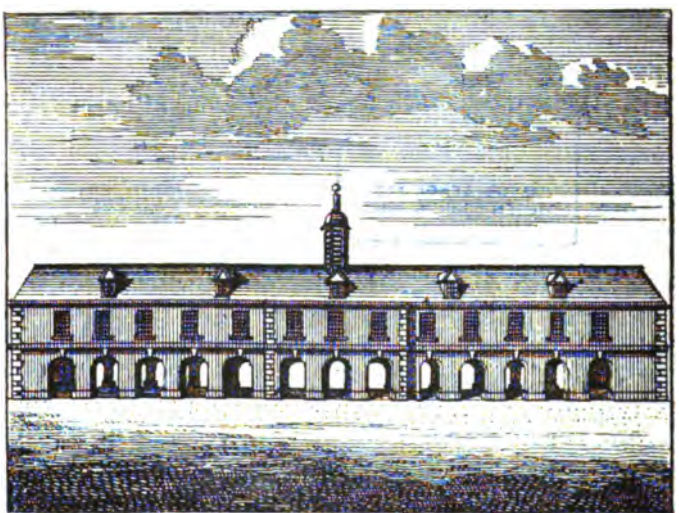

The Corn Market Houſe in Thomas Street

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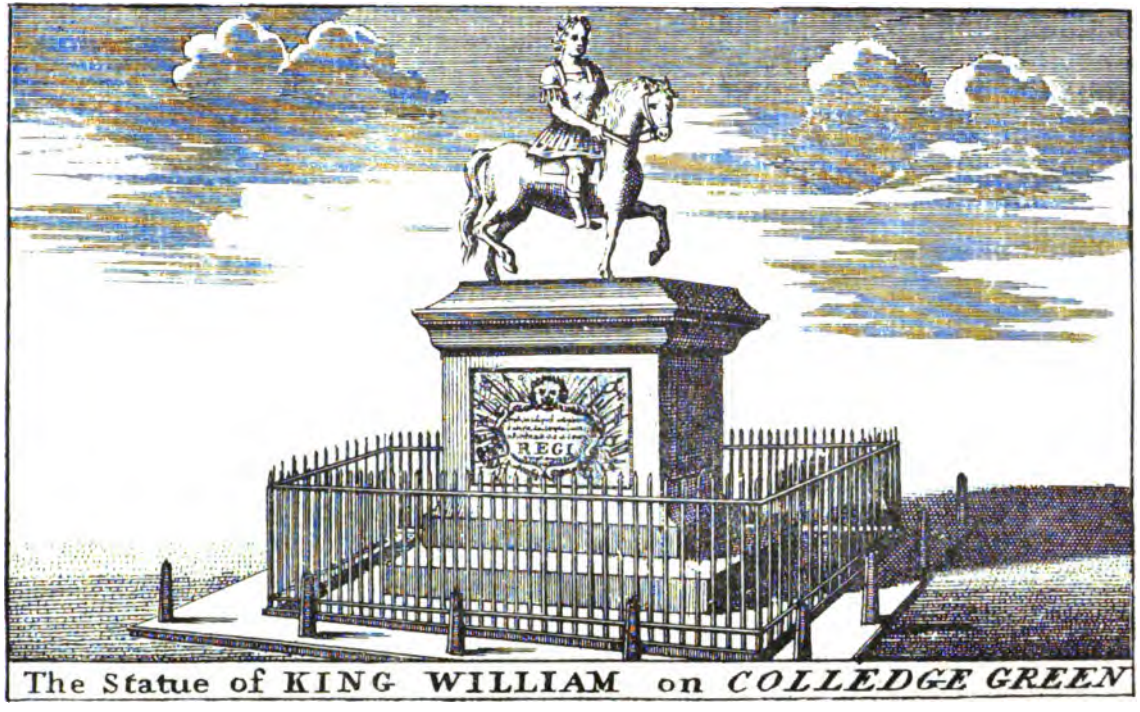

The Statue of KING WILLIAM on *COLLEDGE GREEN*

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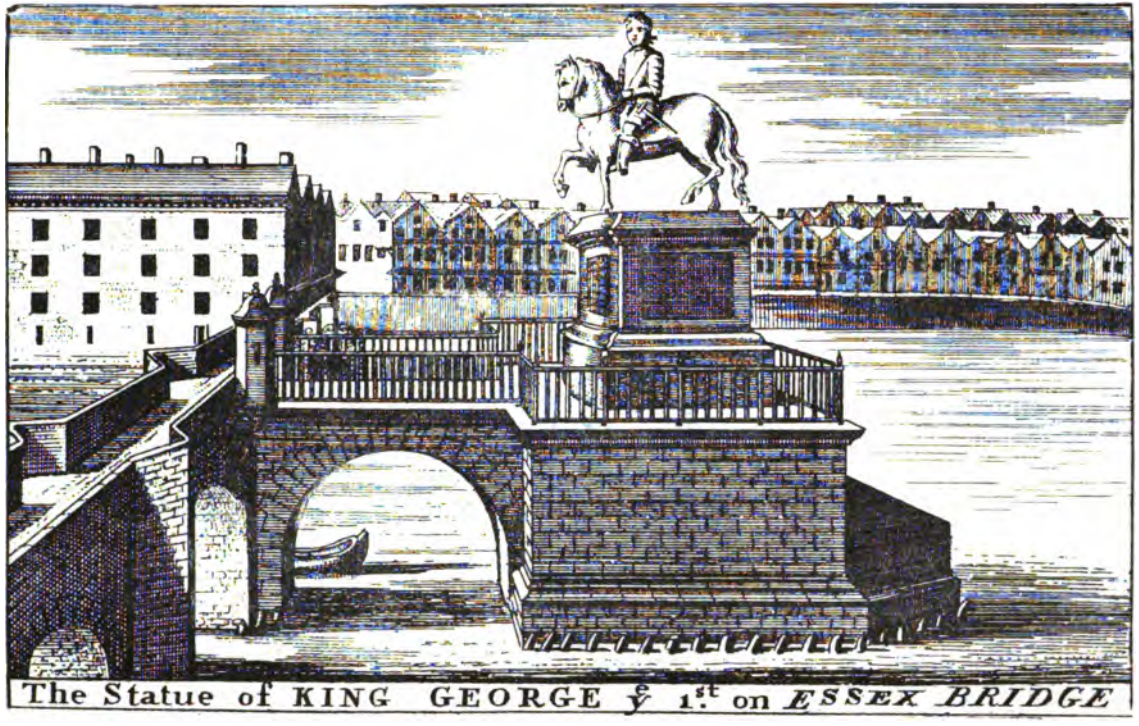

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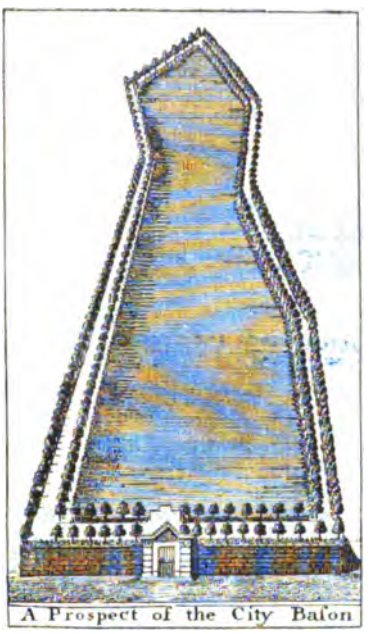

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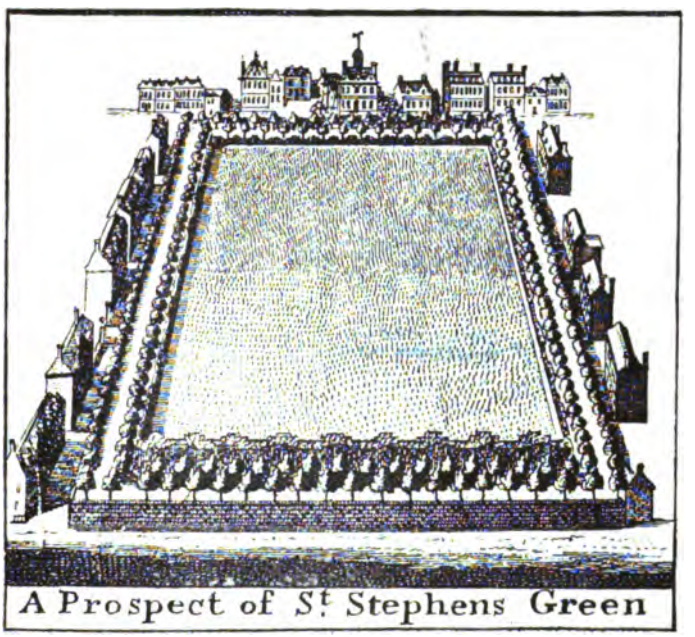

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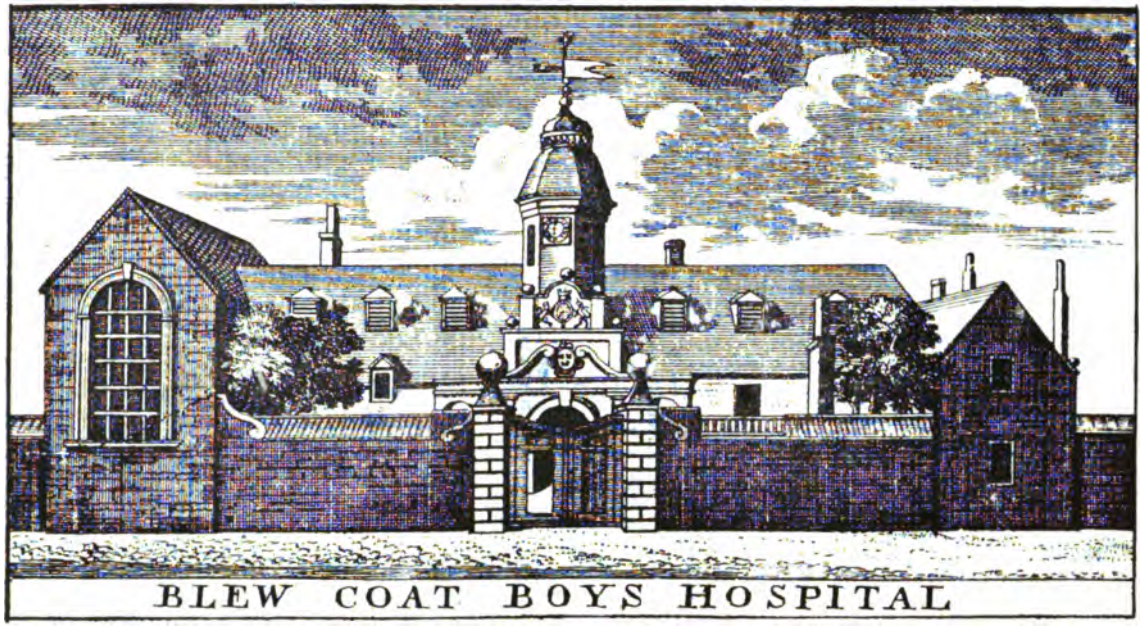

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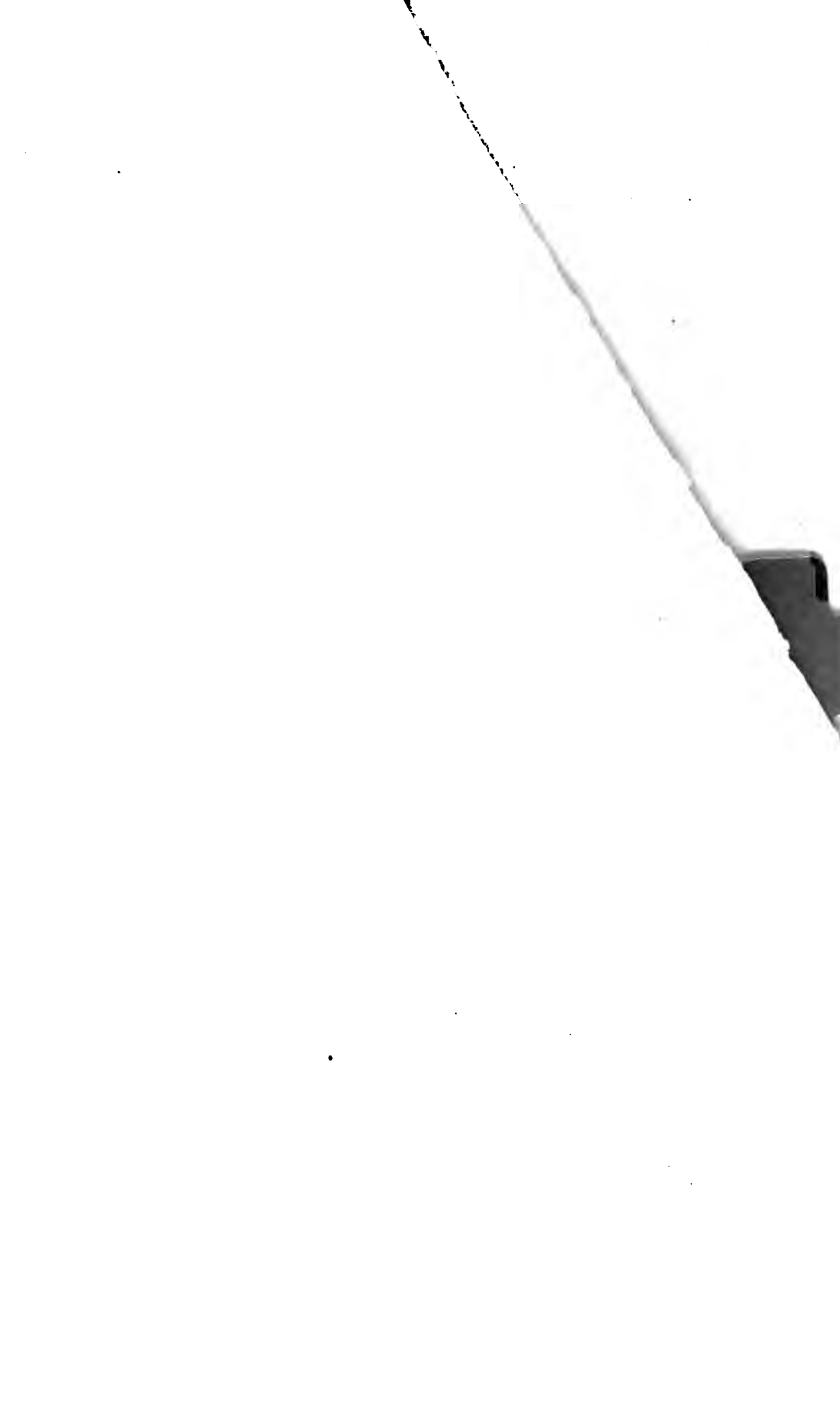

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